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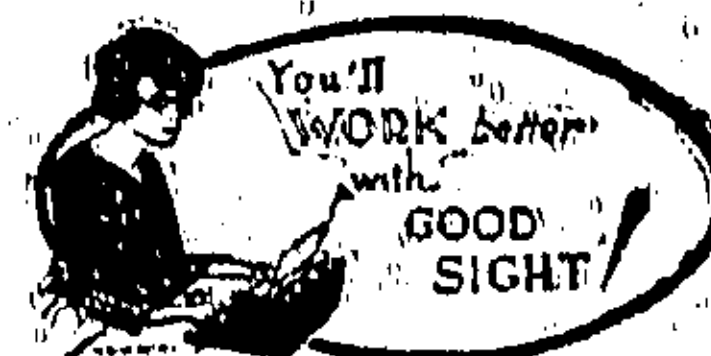
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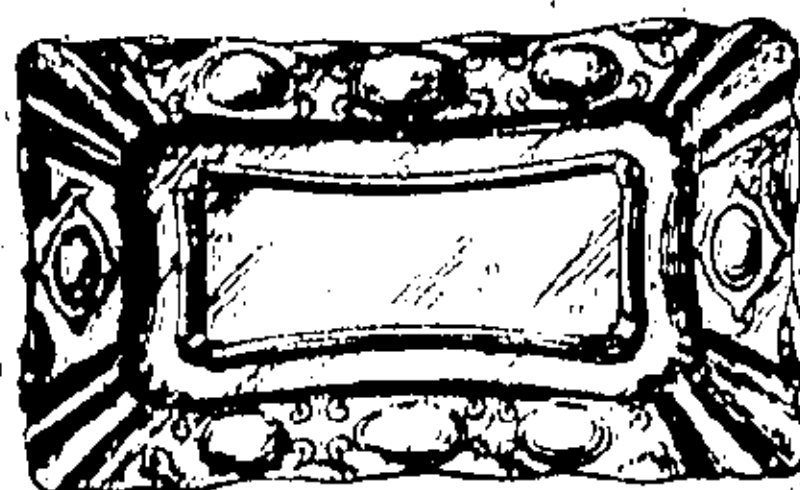
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Sun Chuan-fang's Ultimatum.

LIQUID FIRE TERRORS: THREAT TO BURN OUT WUCHANG.

Tupan Chow Yan-yan has officially declared war on Canton. His circular telegram is followed by another long ultimatum by Sun Chuan-fang who describes Chang Kai-shek as "a slave to labour." The Nationalists threaten to burn out Wuchang.

WAR ON TRAITORS.

[By Our Special Correspondent.]

In a circular telegram to the nation, Tupan Chow Yan-yan of Fukien (one of Sun Chuan-fang's five provinces) promises to "rid the country of traitors."

Marsal Sun, the terms of whose alliance with the Fengtien party have been announced, follows with an ultimatum.

On the other hand, he declines the appointment of Generalissimo of the nine provinces (his own five and Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Hunan and Hupen), urged on him by a military conference in Kiangsi.

Still resorting to expressive language, Sun Chuan-fang accuses Chang Kai-shek of being "a slave to labour to overthrow the educated classes."

Alliance Possible Now.

Light is thrown on the hesitation of Sun Chuan-fang hitherto. Although the southerners have invaded his province of Kiangsi, he has not taken the field. About 18 months ago, he drove the Fengtienites out of the eastern Yangtze Valley and established himself at Shanghai. It is evident that he apprehended the possibility of revenge by Chang Tso-lin should he be engaged on two sides.

General Chang Tsung-chang, the Fengtien governor of Shan-tung province, which borders on the north of Sun Chuan-fang's domains, has announced four terms as the basis of an alliance. Sun Chuan-fang is reported to have accepted.

MORE

Money Talks Again.

The terms are, briefly:—

1.—At Shantung's expense, a mobile division will be at once despatched to Hupeh to assist Wu Pei-fu.

2.—Sun Chuan-fang to respect the Salt Gabelle revenues of that part of Shantung adjoining Anhui.

3.—Receipts of the northern part of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway collected in the south (by Sun Chuan-fang's subordinates) to be returned to Shantung.

4.—Neither side to put troops on mutual borders; and whole fighting strengths to be devoted to the anti-Nationalist war.

On receiving favourable advice, General Chang Tsung-chang promised full assistance for Wu Pei-fu in one month, and the immediate despatch of a few divisions for the Hankow front.

Liquid Fire Terrors.

Important developments have taken place at Wuchang.

Merchants who tried to mediate between the defenders and the southerners were refused an audience by the besieged general; and the Consular Body is stated by a Chinese cable to have refused to intervene.

Chang Kai-shek has appointed a new "storming commander-in-chief."

He was warned foreign shipping to keep away as the approach to the river side of the city is mined; a blockade on land and water having been declared.

A new terror threatened is the use of liquid fire. This remains to be seen but one or two exposed parts of the city have already been destroyed by flames.

The southerners are also reported to be sapping from their front trenches towards the city, which they intend to blow up with land-mines!

Reds Surrender.

Northerners are still joining hands with Sun Chuan-fang's forces at Wuyueh, which is becoming a concentration camp.

No further reports of advances by the southerners in Kiangsi have come to hand. Shanghai claims that the Canton Vanguard is still far from the capital at Nanchang.

Wu Pei-fu has strengthened his three lines during the "breathing space." A small engagement was fought with southerners; to the north of Hankow, without result.

Peking, Sept. 17. The vernacular paper "Huang Pao" reports that the Shansi Governor, Yen Hsi-shan, has accepted the surrender of three divisions and two brigades of Feng Yu-shiang's former army—Reuter.

[The men who have given up were in the Kuomintang, accepted as Canton's Army in the far North.—See under "Canton Army List."]

REPORTS BY MAIL.

Truce Before Bombardment of Wuchang.

Hankow, Sept. 9. The general situation in the Wu-Han cities remains unchanged.

The southern troops control Hankow and Hankow and practically all the territory outside the walls of Wuchang.

The northern troops within retain their hold upon the city. For the space of 30 hours very little firing has taken place.

It had been reported that the southerners had given an ultimatum fixing the time of surrender at noon to-day.

At the expiration of the time, however, no bombardment took place and again it was rumoured that the truce had been extended until 8 p.m. this evening.

Quiet has continued to the present hour indicating either that the negotiations for peace have been successful or else that the truce has been further extended.

Chinese Civilians Murdered.

It was reported that a conference has been in progress at Lun Hu, south of Wuchang where Chang Kai-shek has his headquarters.

Tang Sang-cheng, commander of the forces at Hankow, was also said to have attended this conference.

In Hankow native city there has been considerable violence shown to civilians who have a northern accent. Popular animosity among the lower classes has been aroused over rumours of abuses committed by the northern troops in Wuchang.

It has been stated by some, seemingly reliable authorities that several murders have been thus committed but the writer cannot vouch for the truth of such statements.

Wu Pei-fu Falls Back.

This forenoon an aeroplane, apparently belonging to the southerners, was observed over the city.

Asounding as it may seem, telephonic connections and postal service of a sort have been maintained with Wuchang during the whole progress of the siege.

If rumours can be trusted, Wu Pei-fu has fallen back from Hsiao-kan to Hwayuen on the Peking-Hankow R.R.

It is also rumoured that the southern troops are following him, though the railroad facilities at their disposal are very limited.

Some Chinese students who succeeded in getting through from Wesley College, Wuchang, report Messrs. Bonnell and Dixon safe and also Mr. Chapman at the Central China Teachers' College.

Foreign Missions' Safety.

Both of these institutions are without the city walls to the east of Wuchang.

At present there are about 2,000 southern troops quartered at Wesley and about 300 at Central China Teachers' College.

Though the buildings have been swept by bullets all are standing.

These students stated that outside the walls of Wuchang were very many dead bodies.

Apparently it has been impossible for the southerners to bury their dead or to carry away the seriously wounded.

The students state that many of the wounded men committed suicide.

The observation concerning the corpses was further confirmed by one of the foreigners at Wuchang who was able to look over the top of the walls.

No reliable estimate of the numbers of casualties can be given.

The party aboard the Kiangnan special train have arrived in Hankow.—"N. C. Daily News."

CANTON ARMY LIST.

Where Nationalists Are Fighting.

SOUTHERNERS IN THE FIELD.

Guide to Present War Zones in China.

How many men are there in the Nationalist Army? Not even Canton officials can say with any degree of certainty at the moment as changes are being made continually.

In the war despatches, the terms "army (corps)," "division," "brigade" and "regiment" are most commonly used.

A battalion (or regiment as they say) of infantry has nominally 500, but the fighting strength is often lower.

A brigade, commanded by a brigadier-general, has an average of 1,000 men in branches other than infantry, the number is much less.

A division, with either a Lt.-General or Major-General in charge—still speaking strictly of Chinese methods—should have three brigades of infantry, with artillery, pioneers, transport, medicals, &c. Cavalry and mobile units are seldom used as the country is unsuitable.

An army has three divisions.

Follow Scholars' Road.

When the southerners first set out they had seven armies. Their expedition was to help Tang Sang-cheng, a disputant for the tuchunship of Hunan province. He "took the oath" and his following made into the 8th army.

Since then there have been many additions. Adventurers in other parts of China who have "put out the Kuomintang sign-board"—by use a colloquialism—have been accepted into the fold.

The rapidity and force of purpose with which the Cantonese marched across southern Hunan caused most surprise.

After Shikwan (in Kwangtung) there is no railway nor river to use for transport.

In the old days when scholars walked to Peking for the official examinations, they followed a small trunk road across to Nam-hung into Hunan, up to Chang-sha, Hankow, and then by the route of the present railway to Peking. Use was made of rivers, canals and other waterways wherever possible to save trekking.

Element of Surprise.

The Cantonese followed the old road. Ponies not being available in any number except to serve as chargers for senior field officers, coolies were used to a great extent until Changsha was reached.

Hundreds of these coolies died on the road.

Artillery was taken to pieces, carried on shoulders. Once at Changsha, there was the tributary of the Yangtze and the northern section of the Hankow-Canton Railway.

These conditions explain why the Nationalists took so long to reach Changsha. Reports kept coming through to Hong Kong that the northern allies were winning and that the southerners were falling back on their own border. All of a sudden, Reuter cabled the capture of Changsha by the Cantonese. They had marched up steadfastly and taken the city without meeting much resistance. This "first surprise" was followed by rapid movements northwards, culminating in the fall of Hanyang and Hankow and the siege of Wuchang.

Communications are being preserved all the way back to Kwangtung.

Where the Cadets Are.

At least three armies have not been engaged in the battles between Changsha and Hankow. These groups are on the Kiangsi frontier, ready to be used against Sun Chuan-fang if necessary.

The following are details, as far as is known, of the various armies:—

1st Army: commanded by General Chang Kai-shek himself, comprising Whampoa Cadets and the Chekiang men he enlisted.

The 1st and 2nd divisions, "crack" troops, are at Yochow headquarters. The remainder are in Kwangtung, some in Whampoa and some in the East River section, under Ho Ying-yam who keeps an eye on Fukien.

2nd Army: under General Tang Yin-kai who is administrator in

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CHANGES OF FINANCIAL YEAR.

DIVIDEND FACTS.

The "China Mail" learns authoritatively that the reason for the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd. not declaring a dividend for the year ended July 31, 1926, is due to the change of financial year.

The annual report was published in the commercial section yesterday when it was shown that a sum of \$200,809.25 was carried forward to new account—subject to confirmation by shareholders at the annual meeting.

The books are being again closed on December 31, 1926—the end of the financial year in future.

The big "carry over" will therefore be available for dividend purposes then.

INTERPORT CRICKET.

A review of Hong Kong's interport cricket, possibilities will be found in the sports section on page 9.

WANHSIEN SEQUEL.

2nd Naval Expedition's Secrecy.

YANG SEN SHOWS FIGHT.

Will Negotiations or Reprisals be Next Step?

Official sources are singularly reticent as to the steps taken by the British Navy on the Yangtze River, as a sequel to the Wanhsien incident.

The last intimation was that either Vice-Admiral Sir E. Alexander-Sinclair or Rear-Admiral Cameron was proceeding to Ichang to negotiate.

As far as is known, the two B. & S. steamers "Wanhsien" and "Wantung" are still in that vicinity and that the return of them to the British has not yet completed.

Nor is there further news of the second expedition which by this time should have reached Ichang.

H.M.S. "Hawkins," of course, is at Hankow, much lower down the river.

The s.s. "Wanliu," which was alleged by General Yang Sen to have collided with sampans, is believed to have stayed at Chungking, still further up the Yangtze.

Prediction Borne Out.

Early this week, before the arrival of the full reports of the Wanhsien rescue and subsequent developments—as fully given yesterday—the "China Mail" stated:—

Fearing further trouble, the Chinese populace at Wanhsien is leaving for Wanhsien. A statement denied by semi-official circles is that General Yang Sen, after the bombardment, brought reinforcements of artillery up the heights around Wanhsien, including a number of field pieces.

Expedition Unavoidable.

Further hints of prepared resistance are contained in the following:—

Shanghai, Sept. 17. A Japanese news agency wires from Peking that General Yang Sen has informed the Chinese Foreign Ministry that his troops and the people of Szechuan are resolved to fight to the last ditch if a second expedition be sent to Wanhsien. He is now preparing against the expedition.

Reuter.

That the Naval second expedition feels it may have to do more than negotiate is evident from Mr. Rodney Gilbert's despatch to the "N. C. Daily News":—

Preparations for a second Naval expedition to Wanhsien have progressed so far in Hankow and in Ichang that they are no longer secret. In fact it is felt in Naval circles here that the character and purpose of the expedition should be made as clear to both the foreign and Chinese public as possible so that all may know what to expect and so that it may be understood why such an expedition is unavoidable.

Southerners Again.

It is felt that secrecy would not have been aimed at if there was no possibility of eventualities.

Marshal Wu Pei-fu is apparently too busy to look after Yang Sen who is professedly his subordinate. Because of their opposition to the British, Yang Sen's roughnecks are being described by Nationalist organs as "our troops." The Peking Government is out of touch.

The southerners apparently have not ceased firing on foreign vessels passing their new zone. Reuter reports:—

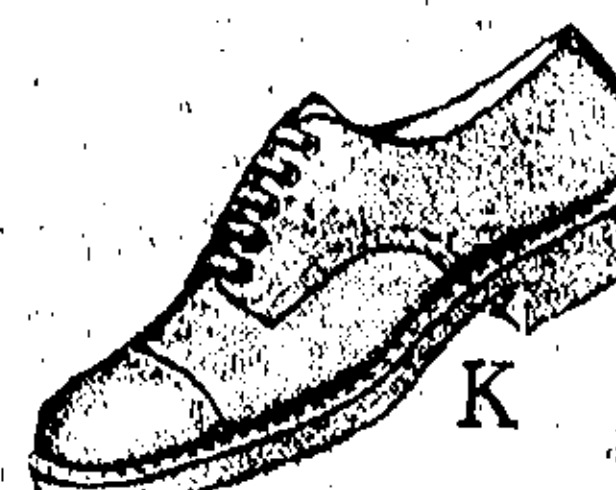
Shanghai, Sept. 17. A southern battery near Hankow fired on the French gunboat "Valmy" on September 14, and the "Valmy" returned the fire with its "75's."

PRISON HEALTH.

The rules made by the Governor in Council under section 18 of the Prisons Ordinance, 1899, on May 21, 1925, are further amended by the insertion, next after rule 124, of the following rule:—

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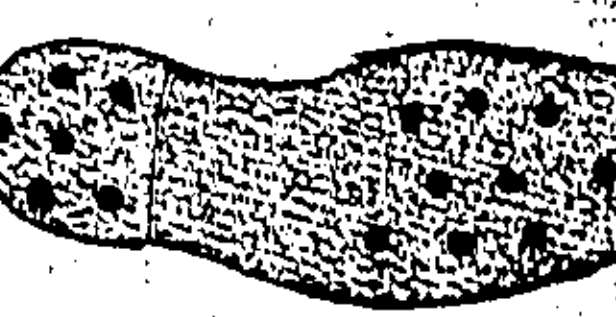
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PANAMA MARU Wednesday, 20th October.
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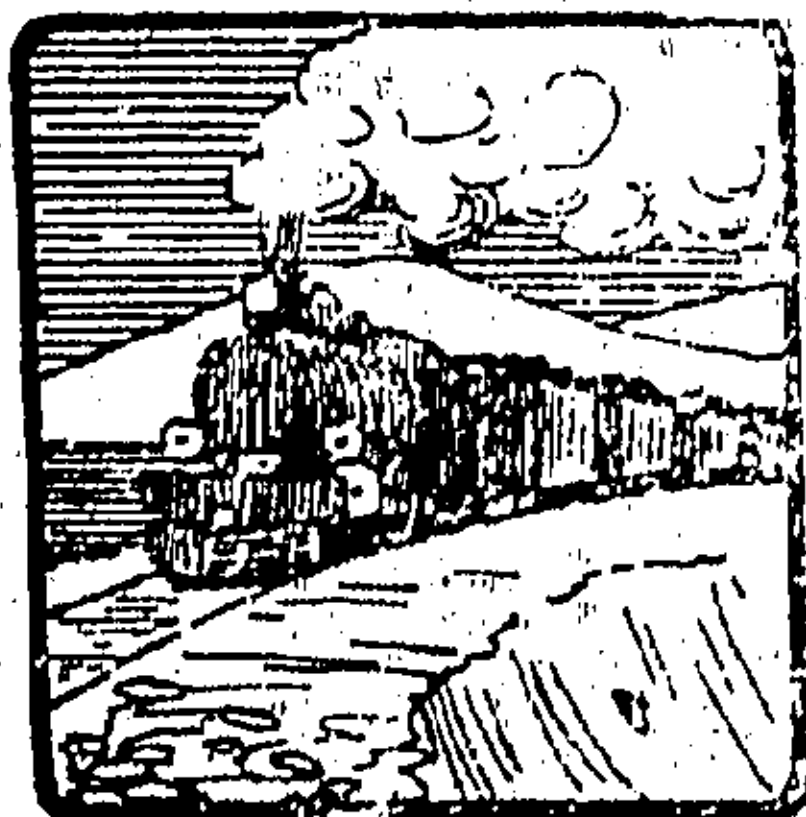
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Szechuen (1594) British, from Shanghai and Amoy; R. & S.
Jade (386) French, from Tournai; Shun Cheong.
Tonkin (846) French, from Haiphong; M.M.
Ceylon (3110) Dutch, from Sourabaya; J.C.J.L.
Tijaroem (3664) Dutch, from Batavia and Amoy; J.C.J.L.
Ryusho Maru (1744) Japanese, from Lungkow and Port Arthur; M.B.K.

Departures.

For Nagasaki: Aki Maru.
For Amoy: Hatching, Shirah.
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For Singapore: Malwa, Svala.
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For Shanghai: Sui Yang.
For Batavia: Tijaroem.

SHIPS IN PORT.At 9 a.m. to-day the following
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British 19
American 1
Panama 1
German 1
Norwegian 1
Japanese 6
Chinese 13
Dutch 5
Portuguese 3
French 2
Total 52

NEWS BY MAIL.

The sixth Norwegian Industries Fair held in Oslo closes on September 12.

Inspector Edward Purser, a railway official at Brighton, is retiring after 51 years' service.

A 55lb. salmon, 4ft. long and 2ft. 4in. in girth, has been netted by fishermen at Johnsnaven, Kincardineshire.

A statue of Nurse Edith Cavell has been unveiled in the Court of Honour of the Hospices Civils at Belfort.

Sir Robert Stout, the Chief Justice of New Zealand, has been appointed a member of the Legislative Council of that Dominion.

York Corporation is lending its all-concrete Knavesmire Road to the York and District Motor Club for this year's speed trials.

Thieves have entered a number of Berkshire churches and at Sonning, Purley, and Beech Hill they robbed the offertory boxes.

The first pilgrimage to Lourdes from Carlisle and Newcastle numbered 600, and the pilgrims were accompanied by Bishop Thorman.

On his advancement to a viscounty Lord Tredegar has taken the title of Viscount Tredegar of Tredegar in the County of Monmouth.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Till noon to-morrow the official forecast for the weather is:—fresh east winds, cloudy.

At 10.40 a.m. the Observatory reported:—Pressure has decreased moderately over C. and N.E. Japan. It has increased considerably over S. W. Japan, moderately over the Loochoos, and slightly at other reporting stations.

At 6 a.m. to-day the typhoon was about 200 miles N. W. of Tokyo, moving N. N. E.

A trough of relatively low pressure covers the China Sea.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The E. I. s.s. "Tilawa" is due here from Amoy to-morrow at p.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Kidderpore" is due here from Shanghai on Monday, at about 5 a.m.

The E. I. s.s. "Benavrich" from Leith, Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London, Straits and Philippines, is due to arrive here on Tuesday.

The P. & O. s.s. "Nyanza" left Singapore for this port yesterday at 5 p.m. and is due here on September 22 at about 5 p.m.

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Though the Association is of purely national constitution, the Institute takes a pride in being run on international lines, all nationalities being equally welcome, and exhibitions hailing from all parts of the world. Great Britain, being, of course, well represented. Some of the latest additions at the Institute rooms of British origin are a cross-sectional demonstration model of the opposed piston internal combustion by Messrs. Richardsons, Westgarth, a model of the Aspinall governor, etc. Many models of general interest are made in the Institute's own workshops, one of the latest being one to demonstrate how the purity of feedwater can be controlled constantly by means of an electric current.

Life-Saving Demonstrations.

Particular attention is paid by the Institute to means for saving life at sea. Last year a demonstration was carried out under the auspices of the Institute to prove the value of the Notts Carley lifeboat, in the presence of many authorities and representatives of the leading shipping companies in the Netherlands, and on a number of occasions demonstrations with line-throwing apparatus have been held. At present the Netherlands authorities are contemplating amending the rules for the safety of life at sea by following the British example in stipulating that liners shall carry, in addition to the required complement of ordinary lifeboats, one or more motorboats; but in view

of the great expenditure which would thereby be laid upon the shoulders of the shipping companies, are prepared to approve hand-operated propelling gears.

The advice of the Institute having been sought on this matter, the Fleming patent hand-propelling gear has been recommended, and to prove the value of this gear the Institute has offered to arrange a test with a Fleming patent lifeboat off the Dutch coast in the autumn when rough weather prevails.

These instances amply prove that the Institute, in giving advice, is not influenced by narrow considerations, but in all circumstances is willing and anxious to recommend what is considered best. Although British firms are recognising the Institute as a most valuable medium and a good number of exhibitions of British products are already on view, more specimens of interest could be accommodated.

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KASHGAR	9,005	2nd Oct.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
JEPPIA	5,338	11th Oct.	Spore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MORLA	10,918	16th Oct.	Marseilles and London
NYANZA	7,023	27th Oct.	Spore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KHYBER	9,114	30th Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MANITUA	10,902	13th Nov.	Marseilles and London
DEVANHA	8,155	23rd Nov.	Spore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KARMALA	9,128	27th Nov.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
NELLORE	4,852	9th Dec.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
MACEDONIA	10,989	11th Dec.	Marseilles and London
DELTA	8,047	23rd Dec.	Spore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KHYBER	9,135	25th Dec.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
NYANZA	7,023	9th Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
MALWA	10,341	8th Jan.	Marseilles and London
KALYAN	9,144	22nd Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MORLA	10,918	5th Feb.	Marseilles and London
KASHGAR	9,005	19th Feb.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp
MANITUA	10,902	5th March	Marseilles and London
MONGOLIA	10,504	10th March	Marseilles and London
MACEDONIA	11,122	2nd April	Marseilles and London
DEVANHA	8,155	9th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KARMALA	9,128	16th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
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ST ALBANS	4,500	1st Oct.	Manila, Sulu, Cebu, Thursday Island
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DELTA	8,047	14th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
KHYBER	9,135	22nd Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MACEDONIA	11,089	25th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
ST. ALBANS	4,500	7th Dec.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
MALWA	10,341	10th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NYANZA	7,023	13th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
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SHIPPING NOTES.

VESSELS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

The s.s. "Tilawa" is expected to arrive to-morrow morning from Shanghai via Amoy with passengers and cargo. She is due to leave for Calcutta via Singapore and Penang on Sept. 20 at daylight with cargo and European mail.

To-morrow morning the local office of the China Navigation Co., Ltd., will dispatch the s.s. "Taikoo Wany" for Java and Balikpapan. She is loading cargo and will also take steerage passengers.

Bound for Canton the s.s. "Cheongshing" of the Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd. will sail to-morrow at daylight, with cargo and passengers. The "Cheongshing" is due back in port on September 21.

With cargo, and en route to Portland via Manila, Hilo and Cebu, the s.s. "Bearport" of the Oregon Oriental Line will sail to-morrow.

On Monday at noon, the Japanese liner "Siberia Maru" will sail for San Francisco and Los Angeles via Shanghai and Japan ports with cargo, passengers and mail for the United States and Canada.

The local office of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, expect the s.s. "Tottori Maru" to arrive this afternoon from Singapore with cargo of pig iron for discharge here. Should the "Tottori Maru" arrive at her scheduled hour, she will be despatched on Monday at noon for Japan ports via Shanghai.

From Japan, bound for Bombay via Singapore s.s. "Samatra Maru" arrived this morning from Japan with cargo mostly consisting of matches. She will sail to-morrow at noon.

THE Y.K.K.

Mr. K. Yamashita, head of the Yamashita Kisen Kaisha, referred to by a London exchange as "one of the biggest transport operators in the world," in an interview at Rangoon on August 4, stressed the fact that Japan's great shipping role was in concentrating on Pacific Ocean trade, both in the North and in Southern Seas. The ship world soon come, he said, when the lands and islands of the Pacific Ocean would be the most prosperous in the world, and the Japanese had a full experience and well-organized system for operating these vessels. Though Japan had suffered with other nations from the shipping slump, they were doing rather good business in operating ships for the Pacific trade because of the unique geographical position.

KWANGTUNG RIVERS.

Waterlevels (In English Feet) at 8 a.m.

West River	Sept. 15	Sept. 16.
Shihing	21.0	18.0
North River	4.7	Falling
Tsingyuen	12.4	10.36
East River	1.8	1.8
Shengkung	1.8	1.8

CITY OF NAPLES.

MASTER AND SECOND OFFICER EXONERATED.

London, August 30.—The report of the enquiry by the Naval Court at Yokohama, issued in London to-day, shows that the Master and Second Officer of the "City of Naples" have been exonerated from all blame.

PASSENGER LIST.

DEPARTURES.

List of first class passengers departed by the s.s. "President Taft" for Manila, on September 17:-

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List of passengers departed by the s.s. "Taipink" for Australian ports via Manila, on September 17:-
Mr. C. F. Mitchell, Mrs. Thomas, Miss C. L. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bennett, Mr. S. D. Chant, Miss M. Bennett, Mr. B. Chumplin, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sldow, Mr. J. S. Macdonald, Mrs. A. James, Mr. N. James, Mr. R. James, Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Greig, Mr. H. L. Stainfield, Mr. W. A. Pearne, Miss L. J. Bryer, Mr. J. R. Middenway and Mr. Charles Geiger.

FAR EAST PORTS.

The health bulletin of Eastern ports gives the following return for the week ended September 17:-
Plague: 11 cases at Rangoon.
Cholera: 7 cases at Bangkok, 53 at Amoy, 3 at Dairen, 57 at Shanghai, 1 at Negapatnam.
Small-pox: 4 cases at Bangkok, 1 at Alexandria, 2 at Cheribon, 5 at Bombay, 3 at Madras, 3 at Tuticorin, 1 at Rangoon.

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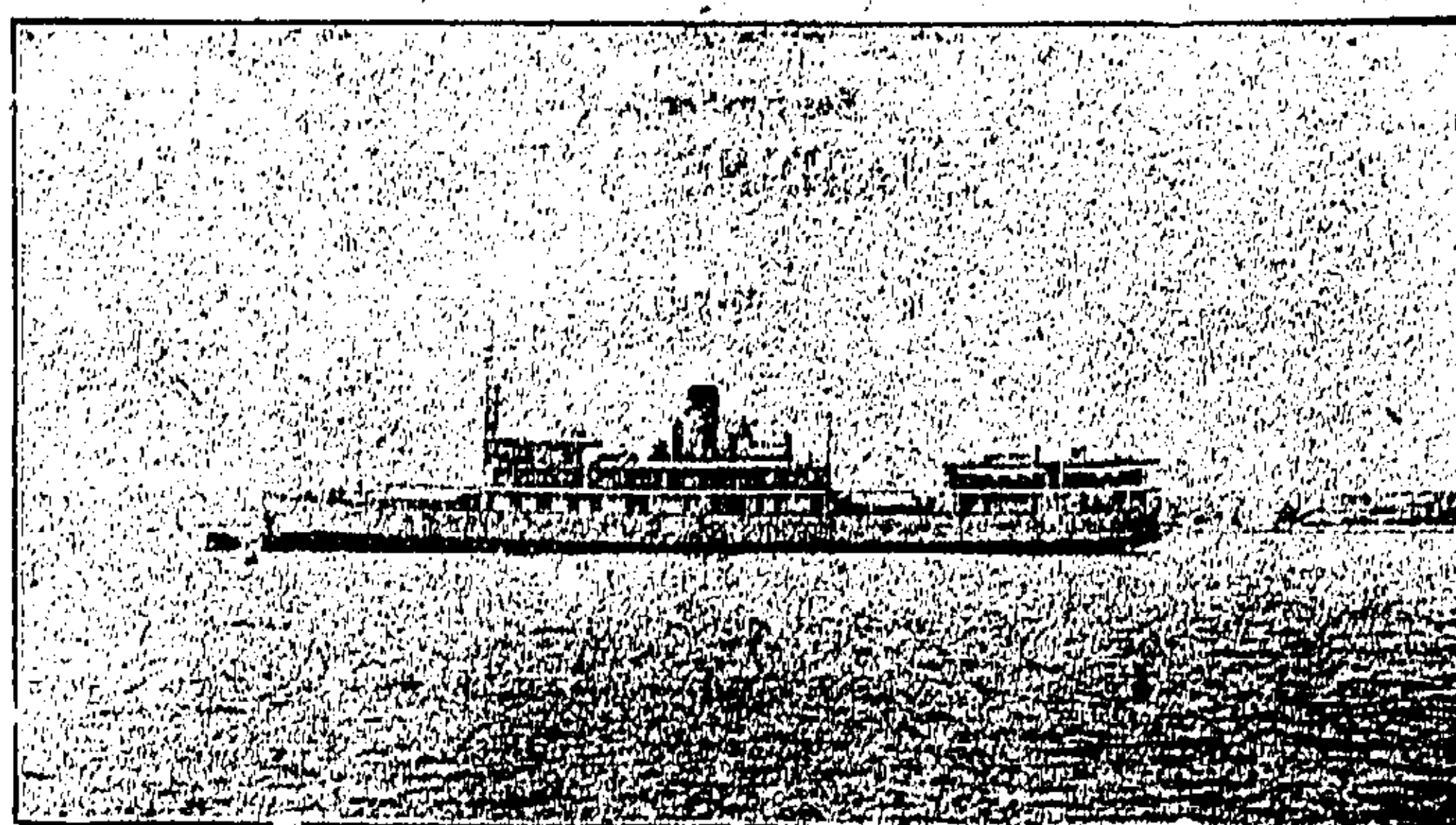
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BIRTHS.

MINES.—On August 31, to Mr. and
Mrs. S. J. Lines of Ceylon, a
son.DOSWELL.—At Colombo, on Sep-
tember 2, to Hilda, wife of E. V.
Doswell, a son.

MARRIAGE.

INMAN HORROCKS.—On August
25, at Valparaiso, Anamallais, S.
India, William Foster, second
son of Mr. and Mrs. E. S.
Inman, of Rhyll N. Wales, to
Beatrice, daughter of Mr. and
Mrs. O. Horrocks, of Valparaiso.

DEATH.

LAMMERT.—On September 17,
1926, at No. 7, Tregunr
Mansions, Mary Alice Liddell
Lammert, the dearly beloved
wife of George Philip Lammert,
aged 49 years. The funeral
will pass the Monument to-day,
September 18, at 5 p.m.

Hongkong, Saturday, Sept. 18, 1926.

A SATURDAY CAUSERIE.

Although information in official
circles, early in the week was to
the effect that it was anticipated
that the two British-owned
steamers forcibly detained at
Wansien by General Yang Sen
would be handed over in the
course of a day or two, nothing
definite has so far transpired.
There has been considerable
speculation with regard to the ob-
ject of what Reuter termed "the
second naval expedition to Wan-
hsien" consisting of British gun-
boats and a naval detachment of
about 70 men but the only possi-
ble conclusion to be drawn is
that the British Government has
realised the grave danger to which
mercantile vessels would be liable if
incidents of this kind were to be
allowed to take place with im-
punity. There is no logical reason
why the gunboats should be
needed for any other purpose than
to act as escort to the vessels
when released but, if General
Yang Sen hesitates to fulfil his
promise to hand over the vessels
at Ichang, where he is reported to
have sent a commission to nego-
tiate with General Liu Tsung-
lung, the presence of naval forces
of considerable strength will
strengthen the hands of those
who are conducting the negotia-
tions for their release.

There is no legal ground what-
ever for the detention of the
British ships and, so far as can
be gathered, the only excuse
offered is an allegation that cer-

tain Chinese boats were "de-
liberately" run into. In view of
the fact that the boats whilst
proceeding with the peaceful and
legitimate object of conveying
merchandise were surrounded by
sampans containing Chinese
troops endeavouring to get on
board it would have been rather
extraordinary if the vessels had
managed to avoid them all in
spite of the fact that they slowed
down especially for this purpose.
It is to be hoped that General
Yang will not persist in an atti-
tude which can have no other
sequel than a repetition of an in-
cident the terrible nature of
which it has only been possible
to appreciate since the arrival
yesterday of eye witnesses' ac-
counts of events at Wansien on
September 5. The report that
the Wansien military are hold-
ing three British missionaries
captives as a reprisal is not a
hopeful augury.

The need for a greater appre-
ciation at Home of the critical
situation developing in China was
the subject of a cable which the
local branch of the Navy League
despatched Home this week.
Whilst an efficient Volunteer
Naval Reserve in Hong Kong
could release from service in these
waters sufficient regular naval
vessels to make up the deficiency
which has hitherto existed in the
China waters, such an organisa-
tion could assist greatly by car-
rying out patrols in local waters.
A cable was despatched from
Hong Kong this week to enquire
into the latest position with re-
gard to the scheme which was
sent Home for approval and
setting out the lines along
which it was proposed that
the Reserve should
be worked in Hong Kong. The
delay, it appears, is due to the
financial considerations involved
but provision is likely to be made
for it in next year's estimates
and by the beginning of the year
a scheme will be in working
operation. The Admiralty is
understood to have indicated will-
ingness to provide small gun-
boats or sloops for the use of such
a Reserve.

Colony's Walks.

A significance other than what
is conveyed to the European mind
appears to the average Chinese
resident in his conception of
places like the Botanical Gardens.
Medical practitioners, when
handling cases of the poorer class
of native, often prescribe an early
morning stroll to the Gardens.
This breath of fresh air is easily
obtainable and there are many
who "live in crowded areas and
have suffered accordingly. Careful
observation has shown that
each morning there are regular
visitors to the different spots in
these Gardens. Some are in the
throes of consumption and go-
fully believing that some mysteri-
ous benefit will accrue from
patience. There are a few who
secluded parts as a rendez-
vous for a daily discussion, fol-
lowed by a leisurely stroll back for
"chow." Even a walk through
these beautiful gardens is a
luxury to a number. True, there
is no admittance fee. But in the
endeavour to make a living, a
sufferer may have to forego the
pleasure to make up for time. Of
the Europeans who visit the Gar-
dens, there must be only a small
number of nature lovers. Chil-
dren of the upper and mid-levels

taken there by amahs can hardly
come within this category.
Years ago when life in Hong Kong
had fewer amenities, there may
have been more non-Chinese
adults who went up for the view.
Even amateur photographers
seem to shirk the place, feeling
that the studios have ample sup-
plies on hand, thereby making the
job not worth while. Until the
advent of motor buses, brisk
walks along Bowen Road were not
disfavored. Then of course,
there were the strenuous climbs
up hill and down dale on both
sides of the harbour which en-
thusiastic walkers have described
for the benefit of others.

"End" of Boycott?

Says the "Times of Ceylon" of
August 31, in an editorial:—
While the China hostilities are
in progress the Hong Kong Gov-
ernment is engaged in negotia-
tions at Canton for the termina-
tion of the boycott on foreign im-
ports. The deputation from Hong
Kong has not, however, to deal
with the Red Government. The
real power at Canton is not that
Government, but General Chang
Kai-shek, who controls the so-
called "warlords." The boycott
has led to the formation of a huge
vested interest which is battening
on the proceeds of the levies on
imported goods. General
Chang Kai-shek has an armed
force of 3,000 men. [Does this
refer to his Army or the pickets?] He
is quite independent of the
Canton Government and it is he
who will have to be bought off if
the boycott is to be lifted, but
how a system of spoliation which
has become the sole means of sub-
sistence of thousands of people
and supports a large number of
officials in luxury can be brought
to an end it is very difficult to
see.

CANTON ARMY LIST.

(Continued from page 1.)

Three divisions from the left
wing, to the west of Hankow, ad-
ded by a division of Hupehites who
are against the North, and a regi-
ment of Whampoa Cadet gunners
who shelled Hanyang.

The training brigade of the 8th
Army is further west than the
left wing with the 9th Army
(three divisions), reported to be
moving towards Changtze.

To their south, and acting as a
check on Yang Sen of Wansien,
is the 10th Army.

Some "Also Rans."

The 9th Army (Pang Yung-
chang) and 10th Army (Wang
Tien-pei) are new additions, any-
where between Kweichow and
Szechuan, to the west of Hunan.

Of the 11th, 12th and 13th
Armies little is known. One is
under General Pang Pun-jen, pre-
tender to the tutelage of
Kiangsi and, of course, an oppon-
ent of Sun Chuan-fang's nominee
there.

The Kuomintang (Nationalist
Army) of the Christian general
(Feng Yu-hsiang) have also been
incorporated and this force in the
far North is included among the
"little knowns."

14th Army: under General
Lai Shi-huang, who is of little
consequence. On the right wing
of Kiangsi sector.

15th Army: under General Liu
Tsung-lung, who went over from the
Northerners during the attack on
Hanyang, fired on his colleagues,
and has been given an appoint-
ment by Chang Kai-shek.

Perhaps it would be better to
classify the troops according to
their latest positions in the differ-
ent war zones.

Yangtze Valley.
Headquarters (in rear): 1st
and 2nd division of Cadets.

Right wing (at Wuchang):
10th and 12th divisions of 4th
Army. 1 independent brigade, 2
"lui" of 7th Army.

Centre (at Hankow and vicinity):
1 division of 8th Army, 3
"lui" of 7th Army.

Left wing: (which attacked
Hanyang but now combined with
centre): 1 regiment of Cadet
gunners, 3 divisions of 8th Army,
1 Hupeh division.

West of Hankow.
Northern section (near Chang-
tze): 3 division of 9th Army,
training brigade of 8th Army.

Southern section: 10th Army.
Kiangsi Front.
Left (in North): 2 divisions
and 1 brigade of 6th Army.

Centre: 3 divisions of 8rd
Army.
Right (in South): 2 divisions
of 2nd Army on one branch; 1
division of 2nd Army and 14th
Army on another branch.

Fukien Border.
Commander-in-chief: Lt-Gen-
eral Ho Ying-yam.
Reserve brigade at Swatow and
hinterland, mostly Cadets.

Left wing (inland): 1 division
and 1 independent brigade.
Right wing (near coast): 1
division and 1 brigade. (Both
wings comprise men from the 1st
and 4th Armies).

A RENTS CASE.

JUDGMENT REVIEW ASKED
FOR.

IN SUMMARY COURT.

The case in which M. Albert
Guetat, proprietor of the Albert
Cafe, was sued by his landlord in
respect of rent for his dwelling
house and counterclaimed in re-
spect of gas fittings for which
the landlord was liable under an
agreement and which he (defend-
ant) had caused to be installed
himself, was again before His
Honour Mr. Justice Wood in the
Summary Court yesterday.

Mr. M. K. Lo, on behalf of the
landlord, applied for a re-
vision of the previous
decision under which His
Honour had found for the
defendant on claim and counter-
claim. Mr. Lo said that in his
judgment His Honour had been
unable to find as a fact whether
or not the defendant had paid the
sum of \$210. If this was so then
the counterclaim should have been
dismissed. The whole basis of
the counter claim was that this
money had been paid.

Mr. L. D. Turner, for the de-
fendant, said that the plaintiff's
own witness had said that he gave
the receipt as a discharge for the
rent and plaintiff was therefore
estopped from denying that the
receipt was a discharge.

His Honour reserved his deci-
sion, saying that if he found there
was estoppel then, he thought his
judgment as given should stand.

P.I. ENEMIES.

NATURAL RESOURCES MUST
BE GUARDED.

SAY THE "WORLD."

New York City, September 16.—
An editorial in this morning's New
York "World" says the opposing of
independence for the Philippines on
the ground that the natural re-
sources of the Islands must be pro-
tected from the hands of foreign
countries.

"It is particularly unfair for the
correspondents with the Thompson
mission," says the editorial, "to de-
clare that Philippine coal and iron
are an additional reason for not
granting independence since Japan
urgently needs these commodities.
This statement has been duly filed
from Colonel Thompson's ship, yet
nobody knows how much iron and
coal the Philippines have, or how
valuable the deposits are."

The World concludes: "Under
the four power treaty arrangement,
suitably extended, the Philippines
can be protected by that pact which
the United States thinks real
enough first to have proposed it and
then to have signed it."

Eager To Know P. I.

Ashland, Oregon, September 1.—
West coast Americans are eager to
know all the truth about the Philip-
pines, the development and educa-
tional progress there, according to
N. M. Rams, who is travelling
through the Northwest and writing
his experiences for the Independent
Philippines News of Salinas.

Mr. Rams on his arrival here
was invited to give a number of
talks before the public bodies and
was visited at his hotel by towns-
people eager to obtain special in-
formation about the Islands.

This has been his experiences in
most of the places he has
visited and he believes that well-
informed Filipinos should be sent
out by the insular government to
reveal the Philippines in America.

Mr. Rams believes that plain
talk, giving facts that American
people want, are fully as valuable
as more formal propaganda. This
tour is primarily for pleasure but
Rams has been compelled by
general request to make it some-
thing of a preaching tour.—"United
Press."

SHINGLED HAIR.

TABOO IN ITALIAN
COURT.

Rome, Sept. 1.—Bobbed or
shingled hair is to be taboo at all
functions of the forthcoming Italian
court which will open in the
autumn. Queen Helen has set her
face against the prevailing fashion
and in matters of intimate court
etiquette her word is law.

Queen Helen is an honorary
patron of the Catholic Women's
league, which has been one of the
most vigorous opponents of the
present day feminine fashions of
bare arms and abbreviated skirts.

During the Lenten season, when
Rome was dancing gaily night after
night through the season of
penance, Queen Helen forbade all
balls and dances at court.

The ban on bobbed and shingled
hair will doubtless cause some
heart-burning in feminine bosoms,
for the number of the bobbed and
shingled in Rome is legion.—
"United Press."

ST. ANDREW'S.

H.K. SOCIETY'S ANNUAL
REPORT.

YEAR'S REVIEW.

The 45th annual meeting of
Hong Kong St. Andrew's Society
is to be held at the City Hall, on
September 24, at 8 p.m.

The Committee's report (for the
year ended August 31, 1926) is:—

The balance at the credit of the
Society now stands at "H.K."
\$1,125.88 to which must be added
the sum of Straits \$6,700 invest-
ed in 5½ per cent. Straits War
Loan and \$500 five per cent. War
Loan 1922-47.

The Annual Ball was to have
been held in the City Hall on
November 27, St. Andrew's Day
being a Monday, but owing to the
death of M.M. Queen Alexandra
it was postponed until February
26.

A Robert Burns Birthday din-
ner was held on January 23, at
the Hong Kong Hotel.

\$1,000 For Distress.

The sum of \$1,046.50 was ex-
pended during the year in assist-
ing distressed Scotsmen.

The "J. R. M. Smith" Scholar-
ship was won by Master John
Luing of the Central British
School.

Your Committee deeply regret
to record the deaths of Messrs.
W. Murray Scott, D. K. Blair,
J. H. Kynoch, T. A. Barclay, A.
Findlay-Smith, Sir James Cantlie,
Dr. Dalmahy Allan and W.
Shewan.

During the year 56 new mem-
bers joined the Society and it is
hoped members will continue to
give their assistance by bringing
forward new names.

The accounts have been audit-
ed by Mr. R. J. Moncreiff, to
whom our thanks are due.

The report is signed by Dr.
G. D. R. Black, President, and by
Mr. R. S. Sutherland, acting Hon.
Secretary.

The Accounts.

Subscriptions collected amount-
ed to \$1,192; total income to
\$5,453, Charities absorbed \$1,046,
and disbursements \$281; there
remaining a balance in current
account with the Hong Kong and
Shanghai Banking Corporation of
\$4,125.

The Investment Account shows:
Straits Settlements 5½ per cent.
War Loan (1918) \$200; Straits
Settlements 5½ per cent. Con-
version Loan \$6,500; to 5 per cent.
War Loan 1922-47 \$500 at 2/3,
\$4,445, making a total balance of
\$11,145.

The Ball Account shows sub-
scriptions amounting to \$8,260.
The biggest items in expenditure
were \$1,200 by the dance and
music committee, and \$5,018 by
the supper and wine committee.

LATE MRS. LAMMERT.

FUNERAL TO TAKE PLACE
TO-DAY.

The late Mrs. Lammert, wife of
Mr. George P. Lammert, Senior,
whose death we reported yester-
day, had lived in Hong Kong for
the greater part of her life, (she
was born here) and although fail-
ing health had prevented her
from taking an active part in
charitable and social undertak-
ings she was well known to a
large circle of acquaintances by
whom she was held in great
esteem.

Mrs. Lammert was the daugh-
ter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Atkin
(her father was at one time asso-
ciated with the Hong Kong and
Whampoa Dock Company).

She was 49 years of age.

In addition to the bereaved hus-
band she is survived by a son,
Mr. G. P. Lammert, Junior, the
well-known Rugby footballer and
athlete and a daughter, Miss Lam-
mert, also by two step-children
by her husband's first wife—Mr.
E. G. Lammert who is at Singa-
pore, and Mrs. Gray, wife of an
army officer at Calcutta, India.

Mr. Lammert, Senior, is brother
of Mr. H. A. Lammert,
broker, and Mr. L. E. Lammert,
the auctioneer.

The funeral takes place this
evening passing the Monument at
five o'clock.

BIG THEFT FROM SAFE.

Au Iu-chi, accountant of the
Tung Sing firm of No. 36, Wing
Lok Street, reports that between
7.30 and 11.30 p.m. yesterday, his
safe was opened by a duplicate
key and \$2,177 in Hong Kong
banknotes were stolen.

A servant employed in the firm
is suspected, he being alleged
to be the only person besides Mr.
Au who is supposed to know
where the key was kept.

COAL STRUGGLE.

ANOTHER DAY OF CONFERENCES.

GOVERNMENT'S OFFER.

London, Sept. 17. Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Prime Minister, saw separately Mr. Evans Williams and Mr. A. J. Cook in order to ascertain the prospects of holding a three-party conference.

Mr. Baldwin is seeking a temporary basis, on which work could be resumed whilst a permanent settlement is being discussed. Efforts are being made to produce a formula combining district settlements with some form of national agreement. A definite guarantee will be given as to the time in which the formula (which presumably will include a kind of national institution of district agreements) will be framed.—Reuter.

Arbitration Tribunal.

London, Sept. 17. The Government has offered to pass legislation establishing a National Arbitration Tribunal as soon as there has been a general resumption of work through district agreements unless a national agreement is concluded before.—Reuter.

No Nearer the End.

Greenwich, Sept. 17. Mr. A. J. Cook, in a speech here, referring to the miners' visit to Downing Street, declared that they were no nearer a coal settlement than on the first day of the dispute unless there was national legislation and a national agreement.—Reuter.

NEW SCHEME.

Letter from Prime Minister to Miners.

Rugby, Sept. 17.

After seeing Mr. Evan Williams, President of the coal owners, this morning the Prime Minister received the four miners' leaders, Messrs. Herbert Smith, A. J. Cook, Richardson, and Richards. They arrived at eleven o'clock, lunch with Mr. Baldwin, and did not leave Downing Street until near seven o'clock this evening.

At the close of the proceedings, Mr. Baldwin handed to the miners' representatives the following letter:

"On September 3 you wrote to us that you desired a conference with the coal owners in the presence of representatives of the Government in order to seek a settlement of the present dispute, and you stated that you were prepared to enter into a discussion on the basis of a reduction in labour costs to meet the immediate needs of the industry. After full consideration we decided that this offer constituted a basis sufficient to enable us to approach the Coal Owners' Association and to invite them to attend such conference as you desired. But the Coal Owners' Association have now declined in a most emphatic manner to enter into any discussion with your Federation on the subject of hours and wages, or to make a national agreement with them. It is evidently not within the power of the Government to bring about a settlement.

"However, the Coal Owners' Association have declared that the coal owners in all districts are willing to observe the main principles that a national agreement would be designed to secure. A satisfactory settlement should combine district arrangements with national supervision. If the miners are at length ready to face the economic facts of the industry and restart work on provisional district settlements, the Government is prepared to secure by legislation that those principles are properly applied by means of a national appeal tribunal.

"We therefore place before you in broad outline the enclosed memorandum of what we are prepared to do and the limits within which we find ourselves able to act. If your members are prepared to resume work on the basis of district settlements, subject to the security afforded by those conditions, and when work has been generally resumed, we shall submit those proposals to Parliament in the form of a Bill."

Terms of Memorandum.

The enclosed memorandum proposes, firstly, that as soon as there has been a general resumption of work through provisional settlements arrived at by local negotiations the Government will pass an Act of Parliament setting up a national arbitration tribunal unless an earlier conclusion of a national agreement renders it unnecessary. Secondly, either party to a provisional settlement which provides for working more than the old hours may refer to the tribunal for review any matter dealt with by such settlement, being matter of a kind which up to July, 1925, was customarily dealt with by national settlements.

Thirdly, the tribunal shall confirm or modify a provisional settlement in respect of matter referred to it, and as from the date fixed by the tribunal every man affected by

STOLEN CHEQUE.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY'S MONEY.

CLERK GOES TO JAIL.

For the theft of a cheque from the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., Jack Chang, a Chinese from Australia, employed in the firm as a clerk, was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

He pleaded "guilty" when prosecuted at the Magistrate's this morning.

Mr. A. Sommerfelt was present to represent the firm.

The Police case was that the cheque was made out for \$50, which defendant passed on to a third party, after banking hours, for \$25.

On discovery of the loss of the cheque, the Insurance Co. had notified the Mercantile Bank of India on which it was drawn.

When the third party sent a brother to the bank to cash the cheque, Det. Sub-Inspector Fallon was called in. Step by step, the case was retraced and defendant was arrested.

The trustees of the British Museum have revived the office of Secretary, which since 1851 has been combined with that of Principal Librarian. In the future the Secretary will act as assistant to the Director and Principal Librarian, with the status of a keeper. The trustees have appointed as Secretary Mr. Arundell J. K. Esdaile, hitherto an Assistant Keeper in the Department of Printed Books. Mr. John Hoad Whitely has been appointed Assistant Secretary, on the retirement of Mr. J. F. Isaac.

WAR ON BANDITS.

AMERICA TO AVENGE A MURDER.

REQUEST TO MEXICO.

Washington, Sept. 17. Mr. F. B. Kellogg, Secretary of State, has instructed the United States Charge d'Affaires in Mexico City to urge the Mexican Government to urge the stone unturned to apprehend and punish the murderers of Mr. Jacob Rosenthal, the New York merchant.—Reuters' American Service.

TOKYO MYSTERY.

OUTRAGE AT BRITISH EMBASSY.

Tokyo, September 17. This morning's newspapers give prominence to an incident which took place yesterday during a luncheon at the British Embassy in honour of the Crown Prince and Princess of Sweden, but as the Japanese authorities have requested the Embassy to withhold a statement pending investigations it is impossible to verify the alleged details.

It seems, however, that an unidentified man suddenly appeared on the verandah, where the Ambassador's son was seated to investigate.

It is alleged that the man then drew a dagger at the Ambassador's son, but the assailant escaped.

The Japanese papers hint that the man was an anti-British Chinese student, but the Embassy, beyond admitting that some incident, which the authorities are now investigating, took place, are obliged to keep silent concerning it.—Reuter.

CHINESE WEDDING AT CATHEDRAL.



Group Photo at St. John's Cathedral last week after the wedding of Mr. Chow Cheng-lam, B.A., and Miss Alice Bernice Lee. Left to right are: Miss Hing-tong Lau, Mr. Yang Hin-suen, Mrs. Chow Yat-kwong, the bridegroom and bride, Mr. Li Chor-eh, Rev. H. Copley Moyle, Miss Alice Chan. In front are: Master Mark Wei, the bridesmaid, Miss Billie Sea and Billie Mayes.

AGRICULTURE.

COMMISSION LEAVING FOR INDIA.

Rugby, Sept. 17.

The Marquis of Linlithgow, Chairman of the Royal Commission on Agriculture in India, accompanied by Sir Henry Lawrence, Sir Thomas Middleton, and Sir James Mackenna, the other members of the Commission will sail for India by the steamer "Ranpura" leaving Marseilles on September 24.

The Commission, including its Indian members, will assemble at Simla early in October and begin its inquiry.—British Wireless Service.

STOLEN SPECTACLES.

Arrested when attempting to pawn a pair of spectacles in Hollywood Road, a richa coolie was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour this morning on a charge of unlawful possession.

The officers of the Supreme Court will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. during the Long Vacation, except on public and general holidays, when the offices will be entirely closed, and on Saturdays, when they will be open from 10 a.m. to noon, subject, however, to the provisions of Section 5 of the Supreme Court (Vacations) Ordinance, 1898, so far as it relates to the Criminal Sessions. The Long Vacation commences on the 20th instant, and terminates on October 17 (both days inclusive).

The award and employed in any pit which works more than old hours will be entitled by the last to receive wages in accordance with the decision.—British Wireless Service.

CLUB CRITICISM.

AT MEETING OF KOWLOON C. CLUB.

FINANCE QUESTIONS.

Criticism at what was termed the "slackness" of the Committee during the past year was passed at the annual meeting yesterday of the Kowloon Cricket Club.

The President, Mr. R. E. Lindell, was in the chair supported by the Vice-President, Mr. E. Abraham, Mr. J. C. Lyle, Mr. S. E. Green, Mr. F. G. Herdridge, and other members of the Committee. Reviewing the activities of the past year, the chairman said: "Despite the difficulties of hard times I think we may congratulate ourselves on another very successful Club year. At cricket our teams played a large number of most enjoyable matches, and in the 1st League our first XI ought to have finished in the 2nd place but for a most unfortunate lapse in their last match. In this connection I should like to say one word about practising. No game whether it be cricket, bowls or tennis, can be played consistently well without constant practice, and I desire to make an earnest appeal to all players to make a point in the coming season of getting some practice during the week. At fielding especially our cricketers need practice. But for faulty fielding our place in the leagues would have been higher. Several new members of promise have joined the Club and prospects for the coming season are bright.

As regards bowls we can congratulate ourselves on now having about the best green in the Colony and our team on having tied with East point for 1st place in the 2nd

\$500 less than in the previous year while our expenditure has increased by over \$1,500. On the income side the bar has not shown an altogether satisfactory return although our turnover was actually larger than in 1925. In this connection I will only say this. The job of convener of the Bar Committee is an onerous and thankless one, and should not be taken on by anyone who is not prepared to devote a great deal of time and trouble to it.

The only other item on the income side which shows a decrease is the Xmas Draw on which we made \$124 profit only as compared with \$471 in the previous year. On the expenditure side a large number of items show increases. "Entertainment" is up by nearly \$400 owing to the greater numbers of matches—especially cricket matches—played, and the decision of your Committee that the Club should bear the cost of visitors' tiffin, but I think that no-one will grudge this increase which has merely enhanced the Club's reputation for hospitality, but at the same time care should be exercised by those in charge of Pink Chits. "Wages" also are up by nearly \$400—a sign of the times, and the necessary dis-

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MEXICAN CATHOLICS

PREPARE HUGE MEMORIAL.

Mexico City, Sept. 11.—The Episcopate is preparing a great memorial pointing out that a majority of the voters of Mexico are opposed to the existing religious laws directed ostensibly against foreign intervention in the affairs of the Mexican churches, but practically meaning the stoppage of religious worship.

Subject to non-interference of the Mexican Government, workers will be organised in all sections of Mexico, to obtain names for the petition. It is alleged by the proponents that the constitution provides for the right of petition and hence the obtaining of signatures cannot be construed as seditious.

It is believed by those originating the proposal that at least one million signatures can be obtained for the petition, in view of the fact that the huge majority of the people of Mexico are Catholics, and leaders of the movement maintain that they must at heart still be loyal to the Church.—United Press.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

September 18—Queen's Theatre: "The Spanish Dancer."

September 18—Star Theatre: Nazimova in "Camille."

September 18—World Theatre: Anita Stewart in "The Great White Way."

September 20—Concert in Aid of the Alice and Affiliated Hospitals, 5.15 p.m.

September 23, 24, 25 and 27—At City Hall, Russian Ballets by 19 artists.

September 24—Promenade Concert by the H.K.V.D.C. Infantry Co. on the Parade Ground at Corps Headquarters.

September 24-25—Final performances in Hong Kong of the Denishawn Dancers, at the Star, Kowloon, at 9.15 p.m. nightly and matinee on last day at 5.15 p.m.

September 27—The Globe Trotters' Grand Opening night at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, 9.15 p.m.

October 21—Grand Concert under the auspices of the Navy League.

Auction. September 20—By Messrs. Lam-mert Bros. at No. 1, The Albany, valuable household furniture including grand piano by Bluthner and "White Frost" Refrigerator, 2.45 p.m.

Sports.

September 18—Peak Church Sunday School sports and tea at Kellett Crest, 4 p.m.

September 18—Annual "At Home" of the Chinese Recreation Club.

October 9—Fourth race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club at Happy Valley.

Meetings.

September 22—Annual meeting of the Kowloon Cricket Club, 5.30 p.m.

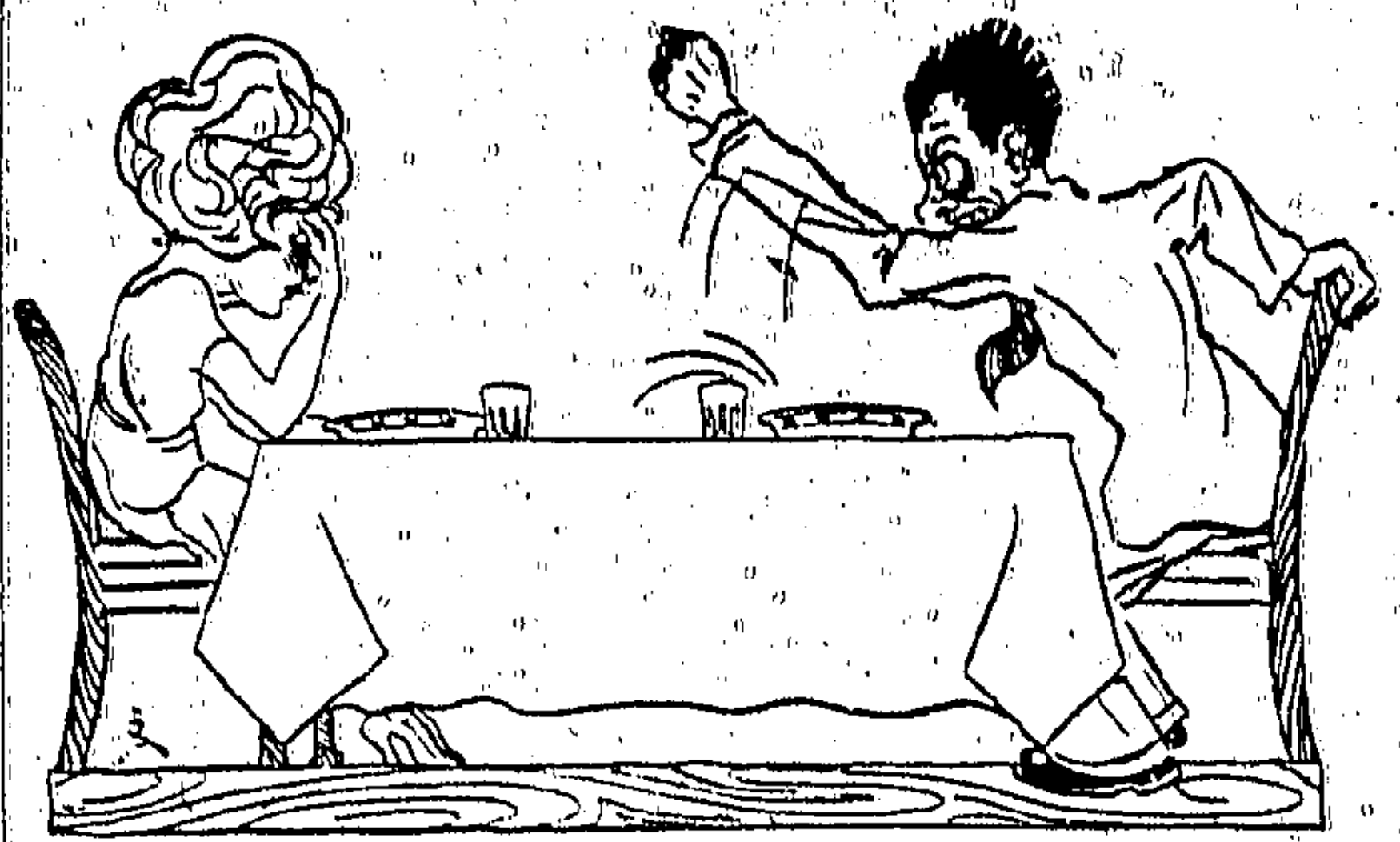
September 24—Kowloon Football Club Meeting at the Pavilion, Kowloon, 5.45 p.m.

September 25—Thirtieth meeting of shareholders of the Dairy Farm Ice & Cold Storage Co., Ltd., 2, Lower Albert Road, noon.

Miscellaneous.

September 20—Club and Service League officials wishing to arrange for coming season, to meet at Volunteer Headquarters, lecture room, 5.45 p.m.

December 6—Matriculation, senior and junior local examinations will begin at the Hong Kong University.



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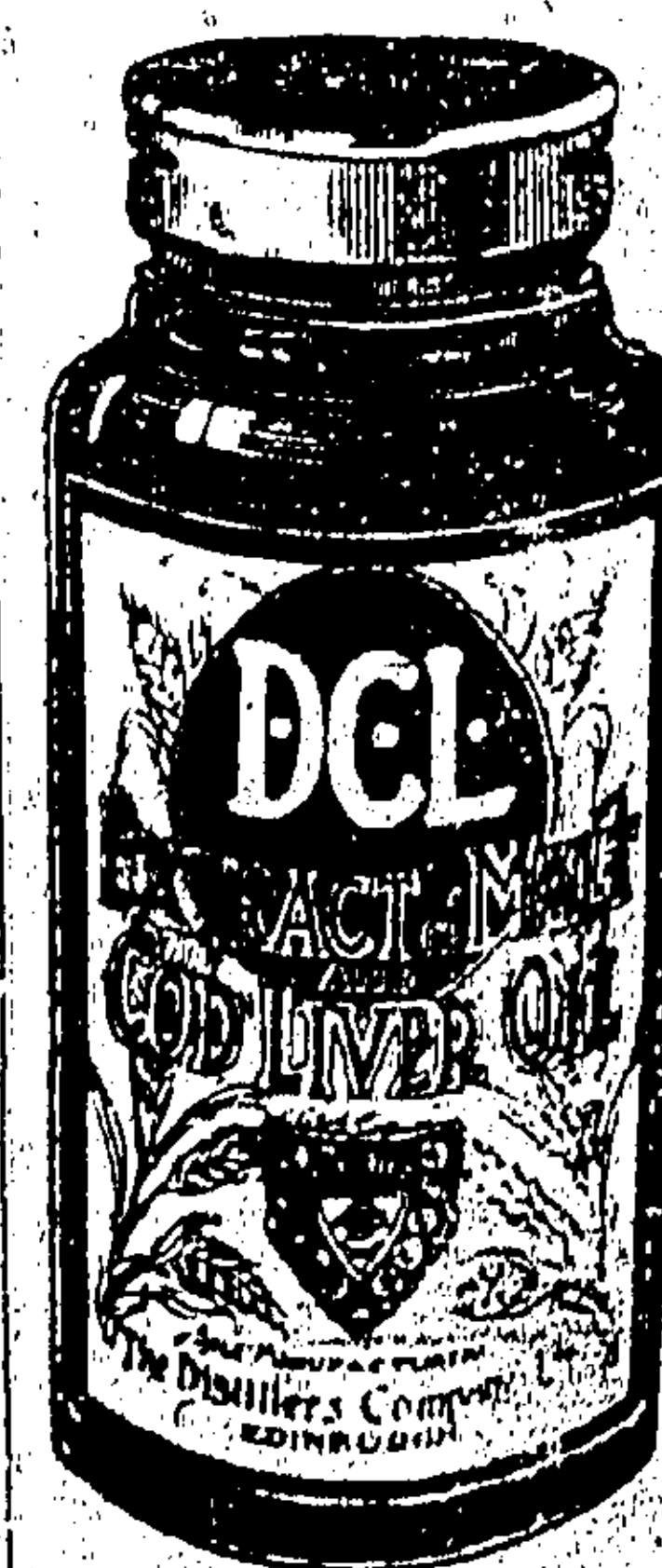
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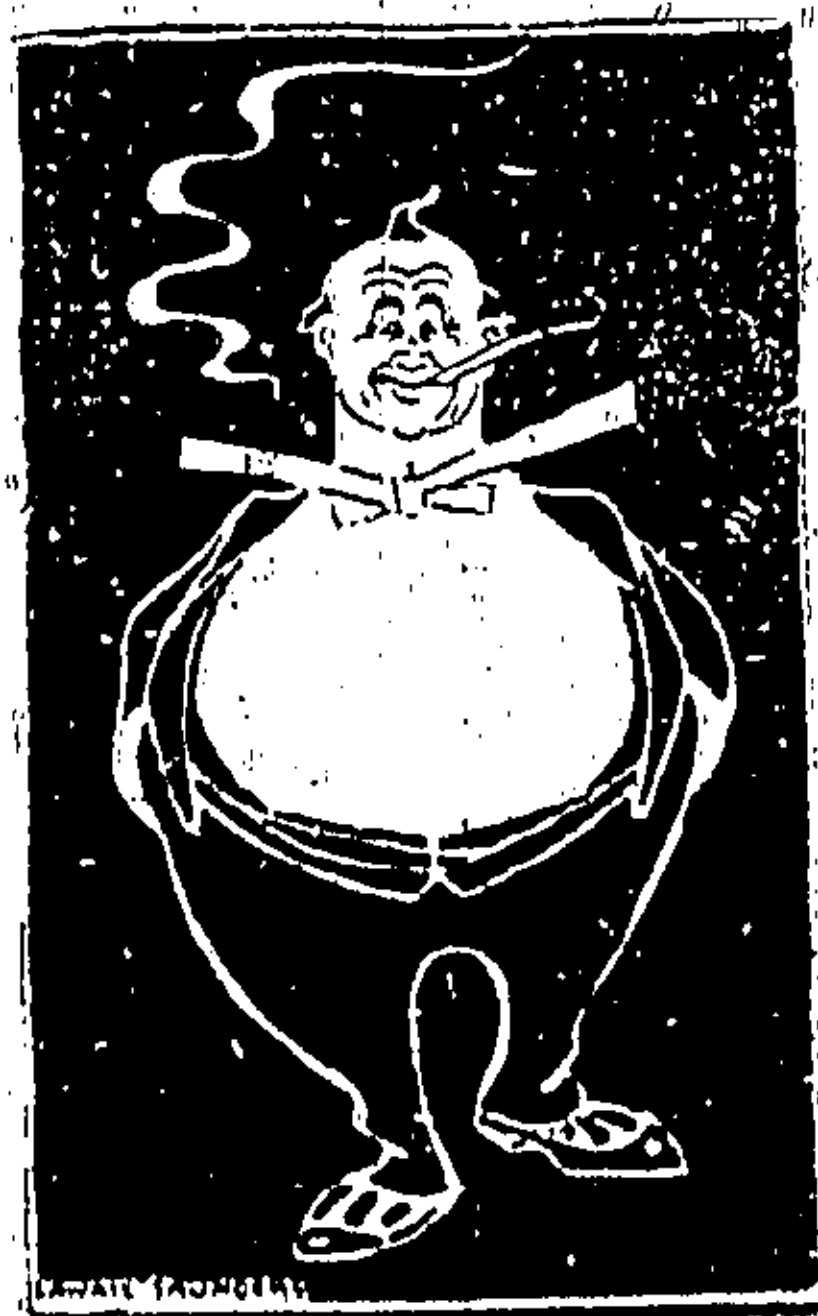
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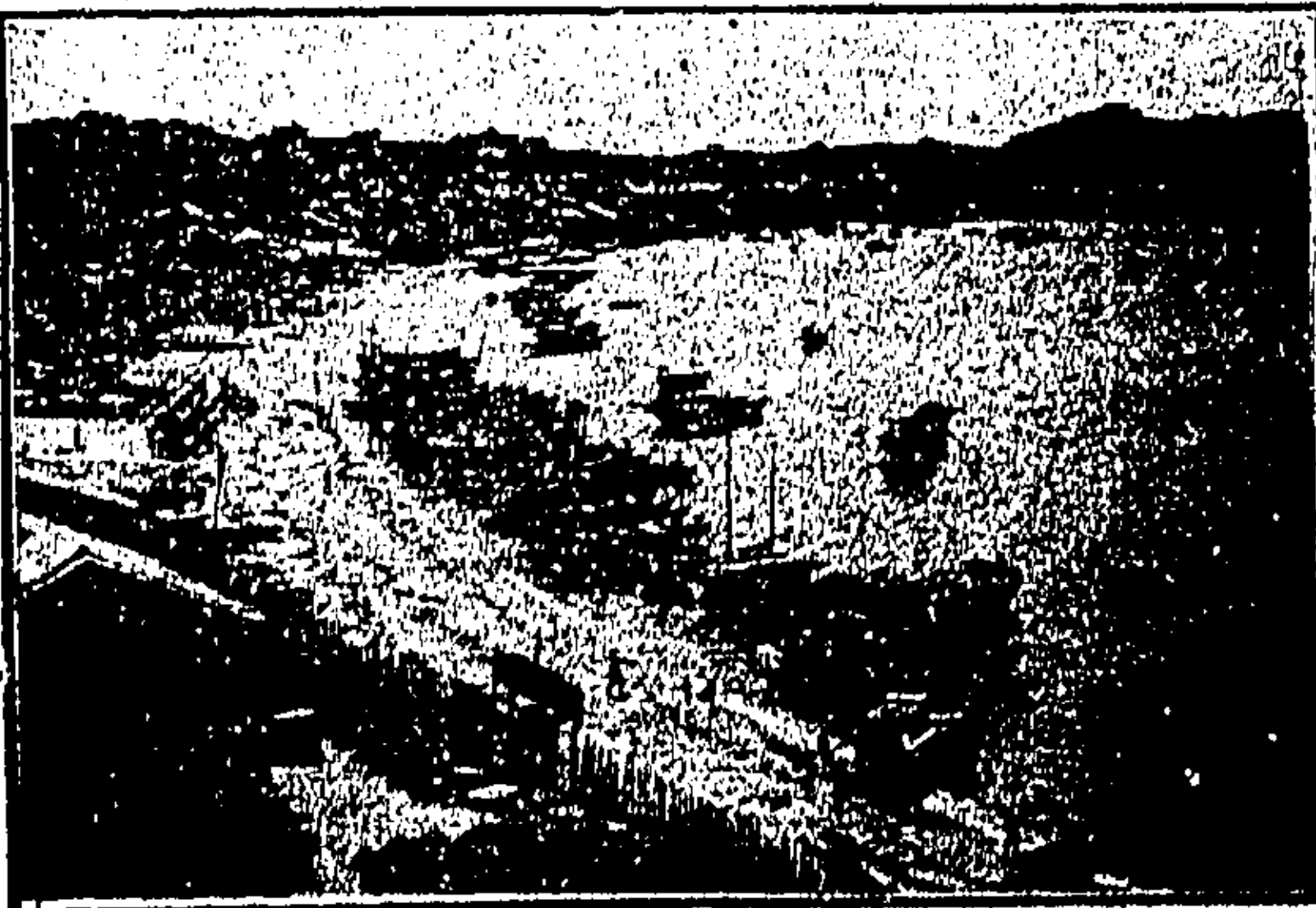
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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Messrs. Lamport Bros. will sell by auction at 630, Nathan Road, Kowloon a quantity of household furniture at 11 a.m. on September 22.

London, September 2.—A London firm has put on the market a semi-automatic "tool-proof" household wireless two-valve set invented by Sir Oliver Lodge, which does not oscillate. It is not affected by another's oscillation. The tone is quite good despite the volume. It is claimed to be as simple to operate as a gramophone.

Rome, September 3.—In pursuance of the deflation measures the Treasury has provided for calling in a hundred million lire of ordinary notes, issued under the auspices of the consortium, for the State control of industrial securities, which is now being abolished. This means that the first of successive reductions of the floating debt, note issue by half a milliard lire is being actually accomplished.

Couched in exaggerated terms, an appeal has been issued by the Chinese Young Communist League who have sent copies to the "China Mail." They claim to be the leading organisation of Chinese young workers, peasants and students. The nations singled out as Imperialistic are Britain, Japan, United States and France. The appeal talks about the red banners of the Communist International which is no more Chinese than it is Hottentot. Comment is superfluous.

Cairo, September 3.—The Finance Commission decided not to recommend the Chamber to authorise the payment of interest on the Ottoman 4 per cent. loan of 1855, the guaranteed Egyptian tribute, on the ground that payments hitherto were made at the express demand of the Ottoman Government which no longer was sovereign. The Commission recommends that the interest should be deposited in a bank until the State's liability is settled in the Court.

Berlin, August 30.—Disorderly scenes marked a law suit in which Herr Schacht, the President of the Reichsbank, sued Herr Rohl, the Chairman of the "Reichsbank Creditors' Association," who described Herr Schacht as not a cheat but a swindler. Hundreds of members of the Association broke into the Court. Extra Police were summoned and a battle ensued before the Court was cleared. Herr Rohl was fined 750 marks. At the close of the trial crowds again stormed the Court.

The Colony had a clean bill of health on Friday, no new case of notifiable disease being reported.

Toronto, August 1.—A collie dog crawled out of a railway wagon laden with grain at Port Arthur, Ontario, recently, having been carried all the way from Kindersley, Saskatchewan, and having been a week on the journey. It is surmised that while the wagon was being loaded at a country elevator the dog jumped in and that the grain poured in too fast to permit its escape. It was imprisoned under the weight of grain for a week.

Kobe.—Sleeping sickness has now caught Hyogo Prefecture in its grip and the Health Department is more panic-stricken than it was over cholera. The epidemic first broke out in Akashi-gun; since then more than 100 cases have been reported and 50 have died. All the cases are in Miharu-gun (Awaji), Akashi-gun, Kato-gun, Inan-gun and Shikawa-gun. On the 4th inst., Prof. Nakano and other doctors held a meeting at the Prefectural Assembly hall and discussed prevention measures. A number of soldiers in the Himeji Garrison are affected.

During last year the increase in the price of salt and dried fish was less than half that of wet fish. The Asiatic much prefers wet fish. In times of prosperity he can afford more of it and so leaves out a proportional amount of salt and dried fish. The marked cheapness in Singapore of salt and dried fish is due to Singapore being the great collecting centre for the salt and dried fish trade of the archipelago. The high prices obtaining in Malacca are thought to be due to purchase on a small scale. The many Malacca dealers mostly come personally to Singapore and buy the small quantities they require.

San Francisco, September 10.—The cause of prohibition enforcement received a serious blow to-day when the circuit court of appeals ruled that prohibition agents were not empowered to seize liquor without a search warrant. Hitherto agents have searched automobiles for suspected liquor without a warrant, under the general provision that officers of the law could enter private property where it was thought a crime was being committed. It is understood that the government will institute an appeal in the San Francisco case to the supreme court at Washington, to obtain a final decision on this question.

Philadelphia, September 10.—When the dirigible Los Angeles arrived to-day, to visit the air faces in connection with the Sesqui-Centennial exposition, she was successfully brought, to the ground without either a hangar or a mooring mast. This is a new departure in heavier-than-air machines, and paves the way to a far more extensive use of the dirigible.

Halifax, N.S., August 2.—Five of the crew of the Norwegian steamer "Ringhorn," 1,790 tons, bound from Portland to Manchester with a cargo of coal, have been drowned as a result of the steamer going ashore in a gale off Nova Scotia. Twelve of the crew were saved by the "Patricia," of the Canadian Navy, which picked up an S.O.S. call from the stranded vessel.

Madras, September 2.—The Theosophical Society in Australia has established a high-power broadcasting station at Sydney which was opened by the Minister of Education for New South Wales, Dr. C. S. Arundale, who said, at the opening of the station, that it will be one of the most powerful stations in the world, which would soon be able to broadcast to India, America and Africa. Its motto is to be Brotherhood.

Edmonton, August 1.—Statistics recently published show that for several years past November and December are the real marriage months in the prairie provinces of Canada. The reasons for this desertion of June in favour of November and December are purely economic, not sentimental. Wheat in Canada does not ripen until late in the autumn and sales of the grain are not made in most cases until the early winter, therefore the cautious young farmer waits until nature has assured him a grain crop.

Johannesburg, South Africa, September 1.—A paradise for wives and mothers-in-law has been found in Northern Rhodesia by an expedition led by Prof. Robert N. Dole, professor of ethnology at the Rand University. Prof. Dole studied the little known Lamba tribe, and found that in their extensive territory, succession to titles and property rights passes from mother to daughter, not father to son. Fathers have no authority over their children, even officially. Women arrange all marriages, husbands, upon marriage, moved to their wives' villages. The mother-in-law as well as the wife, is entitled to order the husband about.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mrs. H. Dowbiggin is due to arrive in Hong Kong by the P. & O. s.s. "Delta," which leaves London on October 21.

Mr. D. Davies, of the Sanitary Department, and Mrs. Davies are returning from home leave by the P. & O. s.s. "Karmala," which leaves London on September 23.

Dr. J. H. Sanders is returning to Hong Kong on the P. & O. s.s. "Mantua," which left London on September 10. Also returning to the Colony on the same steamer are Mr. H. A. Taylor (of the Imports and Exports Office) and Mrs. Taylor.

This afternoon the Peak Church Sunday School sports and tea are being held at Mount Kellett, commencing at 4 p.m. It only requires fine weather to assure the youngsters participating in a programme in which they will be in their element and have a very enjoyable time.

Mrs. A. H. Barlow, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Bird, and Miss Bird, Mrs. W. A. Bustace, Dr. C. M. and Mrs. Harrison and Miss Harrison, Mr. W. J. Lockhart-Smith, Mrs. C. A. Middleton-Smith, and Miss Middleton-Smith, Lady Renshaw, Mrs. and Miss Staple-Smith, Mr. and Mrs. D. Muir, Mr. D. MacCormack, Mr. and Mrs. E. Prophet, Mrs. E. D. C. Wolfe, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. M. Bannerman and Mr. A. A. McDonald are all returning to Hong Kong on the P. & O. s.s. "Macedonia," which leaves London on October 8.

There will be an interesting service at St. John's Cathedral tomorrow morning at 11.30 when the Bishop of Victoria (the Right Rev. C. R. Dwyer) will ordain one priest and two deacons. The service will be for the most part in Chinese, but those of the congregation, which it is hoped will be a large one, who are unacquainted with the language will be able to follow it in English in the Prayer Book. The Ordination will necessitate a slight change in the ordinary service hours. The children's service will be at 10 a.m. as usual, but will be held in the Cathedral Hall, instead of the Cathedral; while Matins will be at 10.30 without sermon.

Mr. G. G. Seth, Solicitor-General of the Straits Settlements, returned from leave by the "Morea."

Probate of the will of Mr. Eric Munro Ross has been granted in the Supreme Court. Mr. Ross was a chartered account of Shanghai who died at sea in the s.s. "Morea" on January 12, 1926. His estate in Hong Kong amounted to \$34,400. Among his bequests were the following: to the Shanghai S. Andrew's Society Tls. 1,000, and to the Scottish Company, Shanghai Volunteers Tls. 1,000.

Pin-money as a factor in restricting industrial output was mentioned by Mr. A. Angles, of the National Institute of Industrial Psychology. Among reasons for restricted output, he said, was satisfaction with present earnings. This was generally the case with pin-money girls, who kept most of their earnings for dress allowance. That type, he said, had a harmful effect on the real worker, and in one particular instance a well-known firm decided not to employ such girls.



Sylvia Gairnes was mysteriously bitten to death while visiting her father near Seattle.

A new English elementary school is to be built at McNair Road, Singapore.

London, September 2.—General Sir Charles Harrington will be Commander-in-Chief of the Western Command in India, from June 14, 1927.

London, September 3.—General Sir Walter Braithwaite is appointed Adjutant-General and Major-General Sir Hastings Anderson, Quarter-Master-General.

Batavia, September 2.—Mr. H. A. Bluet, a British commercial agent in Batavia, while out hunting fell 30 ft. into a pit containing a nest of snakes. He fractured his leg and was removed to hospital.

London, August 30.—Melbourne.—Mr. S. M. Bruce announced that Sir Joseph Cook would continue to be High Commissioner for Australia for an additional six months, and that he will be available for consultation during the Imperial Conference.

The engagement is announced and the wedding will shortly take place between Richard Power Browning, of Jugra estate, Banting, and Margaret Theresa second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Buxendale, of Glenwoods, Guildford.

A cable from Bangkok states that the death occurred on Thursday afternoon, September 9, of Mr. C. W. Andersen, chief Government Marine Surveyor. Mr. Andersen, who was 51 years of age, came out to Siam in 1901. The funeral at the Protestant cemetery was largely attended.

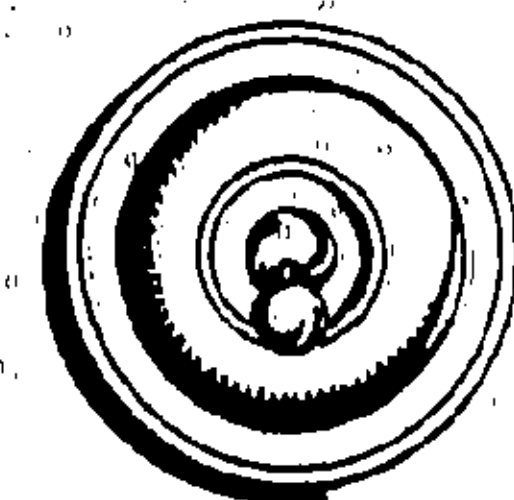
Singapore, September 11.—Three brides arrived at Penang from Home during the week, and the following weddings took place: Mr. Robert Madigan, Latham, Manager, Ratanui Rubber Estate, Ltd., Teluk Anson, Perak, was married to Margaret Gertrude, widow of Mr. J. Gorman, formerly State Engineer, Kedah; Mr. H. Gall, planter, Kedah, to Miss G. Henry; and Mr. Claude Singleton Evans, manager, Straits Trading Company, Pulau Brani, Singapore, to Mrs. Christian C. Chivers.

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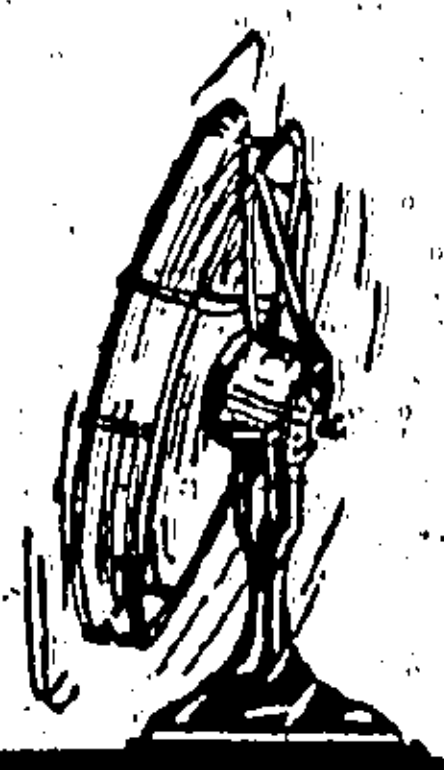
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MAKING NAVAL HISTORY.

Officers and men of the China Squadron have been making history on the Yangtse. All the despatches published daily, with copious foot-notes to tell strangers what the names of persons, places, &c. stand for, are reproduced.

Our reports give prominence to the rescue, the names of those concerned (also the mercantile marine officers), the effect of the bombardment and reprisals, and the steps towards negotiation.

Side issues at Hankow where warships and steamers have been fired upon, and in some instances retaliated, combine to make an impressive pen picture.

"Actions" in which American destroyers took part are also described.

RELATIONS WITH CANTON.

This week's issue also contains:—General Chang Kai-shek's manifesto to foreigners, the circular to shipping by the Strike Executive, reports of "scraps" with Canton, and a lengthy review of the past year's complications.

OUR NEIGHBOURS AT WAR.

All the daily intelligence from war zones are included, telling how Wu Peifu is counter-attacking, and how the southerners are asking for several millions of dollars from the merchants.

POLICING THE RIVER.

Step by step, the activities of the British Navy are described up to the pickets leaving the Canton River. Explanations are included in this issue as to how Canton has begun to realise responsibilities.

LOCAL AND "CHINA" NEWS.

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SPORTS SECTION

CHANNEL SWIM.

Derham Gets £1,000 For his Feat.

THIRD BEST TIME SO FAR.

Bathing Dress Ladies Go to Welcome.

Rugby, Sept. 17.

Great enthusiasm prevailed at St. Margaret's Bay when an Englishman, Norman Leslie Derham, came ashore this morning having swum the Channel in 12 hours 56 minutes.

Several local women swam out to meet him when he was about half a mile from shore. They accompanied him on either side and cheered him on his way to shore.

When he stepped out of the water he was seized, hoisted shoulder high, and carried in triumph to a neighbouring inn, accompanied by a cheering crowd many of whom were waving Union Jacks.

Great Enthusiasm.

Much of the enthusiasm was due to the fact that an Englishman has accomplished the feat of swimming the Channel after an interval of fifteen years.

The first and second conquerors of the Channel were Englishmen, Captain Webb being successful in the year 1876 and Burgess in 1911. Since the latter date Americans claim four victories and Argentina, France and Germany one each.

Derham's time of 12 hours 56 minutes is better than that of the other two Englishmen, Captain Webb and Burgess, who took 21 hours 45 minutes and 22 hours 35 minutes respectively.

Further Comparisons.

If also beats that of the two American women, Miss Gertrude Ederle and Mrs. Corson who this year took 14 hours 39 minutes and 15 hours 28 minutes respectively.

It is however not so fast as that of Wierker (Germany) and Michel (France) who swam across recently in 12 hours 42 minutes and 11 hours 5 minutes respectively.—British Wireless Service.

CONDITIONS OF PRIZE.

London, Sept. 17.

Norman Derham entered the water at Cape Grisnez at nine last night.

The sea was rather rough. A far came up at four in the morning and blotted out everything but lifted at eight when the swimmer was found off St. Margaret's Bay.

He landed amid the enthusiastic cheers of a crowd which gave prominence to the Union Jack to signify the victory of an Englishman.

Some dashed into the water to Derham. Others, including ladies in bathing dresses, swam out.

Derham thus won the "News of the World" prize of £1,000 to the first Britisher to beat Miss Ederle's time.

He is an ex-mercantile marine officer, the son of a former commander of Lord Leverhulme's yacht.—Reuter.

BRAVO RED ROSE.

WHEN LANCAS WON COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP.

GREAT ENTHUSIASM.

London, August 31.

When Lancashire won the county cricket championship—

There was excitement throughout the whole morning at Manchester and members of Clubs, and the Stock Exchanges surrounded the tapes and newboards to learn the progress of the game, while a crowd of 9,000 on the ground, in a burst of unparalleled enthusiasm, disregarded the Old Trafford tradition to keep off the turf and surged towards the pavilion. There was wild cheering and the crowd called on the players.

London, Sept. 2.

The Lancashire County Cricket Club has been inundated with congratulatory letters and telegrams from all over the country, many from other countries and "soccer" clubs.

Mr. F. C. Toone, the Yorkshire Secretary, after emphasising Yorkshire's appreciation, says: "Your success is a strange reversal. Nevertheless it is a splendid achievement."

Lords Hawke and Derby and Sir Francis Lacey sent messages, the last named saying: "Bravo, Lancashire, Congratulations."

CRICKET MUSINGS.

Possibles for Coming Interport.

SUGGESTED HONG KONG ELEVEN.

Who's Who on Paper and a Few Certainties.

(By W.P.C.)

Nets having been put up for interport cricket "possibles," amateur selectors will be making up their minds to represent Hong Kong against Shanghai in November.

Although he admits that it is far too soon to form an opinion, a supporter has asked for information as to the "curious." He does not say that the information is wanted for any purpose. Accordingly, I would like to remark by pointing out that if I am fairly certain I would have remained silent. However—

First of all memory goes back to the team that did so well for us two years ago against Shanghai and Malaya. Subsequent touring teams do not impress so much as the all-important matter of "leave."

Our 1924 Team.

In 1924, the Hong Kong eleven comprised:—H. R. E. Hancock (captain), A. C. I. Bowker, Pay-Li, G. E. L. Hargreaves, R. N. B. Owen Hughes, T. E. Pearce, Rev. T. E. Powell, Rev. E. K. Quirk, A. W. Ramsay, E. B. Reed, C. Q. McK., A. Stripp, R. E. A. Webster.

"Dick" Hancock is still here and looks a certainty for the leadership again.

Bowker, for his fast bowling—I still consider him to be our best fast bowler—for his excellent fielding and his stout-hearted batting, is another dead cert, barring accidents.

Having left the Colony, Hargreaves is out of the question. We shall want a left-hand bowler in his place—and he could bat as well.

Owen Hughes is still with us. The redoubtable "Tam" Pearce is due back not later than the end of October. Unless he feels absolutely out of touch I see no reason why he should not be our batting mainstay again.

Present and Absent.

Padre Powell is also at home and we shall miss his bowling.

Quick was a tower of strength. As a reliable opening batsman with useful shots, and a slow right-arm bowler who broke up partnerships, he always "came off." His place will be hard to fill.

Ramsay of Kowloon is still in the Colony.

Reed will also be here and he will have to open the attack again with Bowker.

Stripp will have left before the match comes on.

Webster, the other opening batsman, will just have stepped ashore from home leave when play should about begin. Unless he is very it and has played all the time during his holiday, he would hardly expect inclusion.

Here's the Rub.

There's the rub. We have two men in Pearce and Webster who, if they were here now, would cause the selectors less worry. They choose the time to return when a team should have been in composition and playing together to get "team work."

Then Stripp's departure means a new wicket-keeper. An idea has been advanced that "Tam" might fill the bill. Inclined to embonpoint he is apt to be slow in the field, although a safe catch, and he is reasonably sound rather than brilliant behind the sticks. But will keep to Bowker's expressives hurt his hands to an extent to affect his batting? If Tam is not appointed stumper, somebody else will have to be found.

Another difficulty is that we do not know what cricketers the new regiment will have. At present I must leave them out of surmise.

Moral Certainties.

I also recall the fact that A. A. Rumjahn, the "Varsity skipper," was kept out from trials by a motorcycle accident. He may be good enough to get in this time.

Of players in the front rank who were not here in November, 1924, there is G. R. Sayer, a regular "cup" and once captain of Hong Kong in Shanghai. Then A. W. Hayward, a Shanghai interporter, has come down here since.

Working on names known to me—and I apologise to those whom I have not seen or may have overlooked—we come to:—

Moral certainties in Hancock (as captain and reliable batsman), Bowker, and Reed (opening bowlers), Hayward (opening batsman).

I would have put Tam Pearce in had it not been for his being on leave.

Bowling Variety.

Next on the list is Sayer. He is another opening batsman but he has been accused of "nerves" on only one occasion. He is also the slow bowler (and has bowled previously in interports) who might fill Quick's place. I do not think he is due inclusion solely on his bowling. But his good batting and his reputation as the Colony's interport coverpoint just about bring him into first position among the probabilities.

I hear that F. Goodwin of Kowloon is thought to be "fairly safe." Like Reed and Bowker, he is also a right-arm bowler. His pace may be described as medium. With Bowker as medium-to-fast and Reed slow-to-medium, there will be variety. Sayer's slow and a left-hand trundler will make up a strong attack.

Twenty for Three Places.

Who is the left-hander going to be? I have heard very good reports of C. D. Wales, who might have been included in the last trip to Malaya. But what of Owen Hughes? The latter has lost his bowling. His batting in interports has not been up to his league for the last three seasons ago but he served. Then there is his fielding. If I remember rightly he stood slip both ways in 1924 and he is also useful elsewhere.

For the present I shall plunk on Wales before Owen Hughes—but later on I may have to switch round.

We are now left with three places with about twenty men equally good.

I shall also presume that S. A. Small is preferred to F. H. Holman, and that the former is made stumper instead of Pearce.

For the last two places Rumjahn and Ramsay may establish their claims if they do well in the trials.

Good Fielding Side.

On paper and at present I therefore suggest:—

A. W. Hayward, H.K.C.C.,
A. A. Rumjahn, University,
A. W. Ramsay, Kowloon,
T. E. Pearce, H.K.C.C.,
G. R. Sayer, Civil Service,
H. R. E. Hancock, H.K.C.C., captain.

S. A. Small, Indian R.C.,
A. C. I. Bowker, H.K.C.C.,
F. Goodwin, Kowloon,
C. D. Wales, H.K.C.C.,
E. B. Reed, Civil Service.

Honestly I admit that several changes, also on paper, can be made without spoiling the effect. Before I go further I must point out that the combination I have given should do well in the field and I have intentionally omitted Webster for reasons stated.

Some More Names.

One argument against the above is that there is not sufficient batting backbone in the eleven, a factor much needed by our team in Malaya. I am thinking of the E.J.R. Mitchell type of batsman who generally does best in adversity. If he will concentrate on cricket this season and runs into form fairly early I shall not be surprised to see him supersede one of the other batsmen.

There is also Owen Hughes to whom I have referred.

J. C. Lyle also comes to mind but I think we have better all-rounders.

E. E. Fincher will have his supporters but his showing in Malaya did not quite convince. His appearance in the outfield will add lustre to our fielding and the same might be said of Mitchell.

B. D. Evans is another interport cap. He is an excellent all-rounder in league cricket but some experts have dropped him on account of temperament on the big occasion.

And the Service Players.

I would have put Captain E. W. Morris much further up—as a batsman rather than an all-rounder—if it had not been for his having to go to Shanghai for the golf interport. Devotion to one game may mean loss of form in another. But wait till he gets back.

The mention of his name brings me to the Service cricketers who are qualified for inclusion.

I have not heard of any Naval "possibles," but I am told of the qualities of two newcomers in the Army. One, I believe, is Major Lightfoot, who is a fine all-rounder and there is more to go on.

Remember also that an additional batsman or all-rounder may be brought in, to the exclusion of Small, to strengthen the run-getting side.

"AN ENGLAND XI"

The England XI which drew with the Australians at Folkestone comprised:—(in batting order) D. R. Jardine (Surrey), R. E. S. Wyatt (Warwick), Woolley, F. E. (Kent), Hendren (Middlesex), the Hon. F. S. Calverley (Warwick), the Hon. L. H. Tennyson (Hampshire), Astill (Leicester), Smith, E. J. (Warwick), Freeman, A. F. (Kent) and Larwood (Notte).

U.S. POLO.

Westbury (N.Y.), Sept. 17.

On their first appearance in the American polo championship, the Argentine team were eliminated by Roslyn, by 10 goals to 3.—Reuter's American Service.

BOBBY JONES.

REACHES FINAL OF U.S. AMATEUR.

GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.

Baltimore, Sept. 17.

In the third round of the American amateur golf championship, Bobby Jones ousted his strongest rival, Chick Evans, after a grueling fight. The factors were superb driving and marvellous recoveries. He meets Outmet in the fourth round. Jones beat Evans by 3 and 2.

Von Elm beat Gunn by 8 and 7. Outmet beat Wright (Abermarle) by 5 and 3, and Dawson of Chicago beat Held by 2 and 1.

Later.

SEMI-FINAL ROUND.

In the semi-final round, Bobby Jones defeated Francis Outmet by 5 up and 4 to play.

Von Elm beat George Dawson by 11 and 10.

Jones and Von Elm meet in the final on Saturday.

If Jones wins it will be the first time the same player has won the amateur championship for three years, also the first time any player has held the British and American open amateur titles.—Reuter's American Service.

U.S. TENNIS.

TILDEN'S CONQUEROR DEFEATED.

ALL FRENCH FINAL.

Forest Hills, Sept. 17.

In the semi-final of the American national lawn tennis championship singles, Rene Lacoste defeated H. Cochet by 2-6, 4-6, 6-4, 6-1, 6-3.

Both are Frenchmen. Cochet defeated Tilden in five sets.

Jean Borotra (France) defeated Vincent Richards (U.S.A.) 3-6, 6-4, 4-6, 8-6, 6-2.—Reuter's American Service.

Although the Frenchmen lost to the Americans in the Davis Cup, there will be an all-French final.

BASEBALL LEAGUE.

JAPANESE DEFEAT CLUB DE RECREIO.

The Japanese easily defeated Club de Recreio by 10 runs to 1 in the concluding stages of the Baseball League.

In their last inning the losers got their run through Botelho (walked, stole two, and home on wild throwing).

Runs were scored for the winners by Y. Hachijima and Tajima (2 each), S. Hachijima, Takatomi, Kamowita, Imamura, Murata, Ishimatsu. Details follow:—

Recreio	Japanese
Alves	ss S. Hachijima
Guterres	lf Takatomi
Remedios	c Y. Hachijima
H. Barros	cf Koga
D. Xavier	p Ishimatsu
Pereira	lb Murata
M. Barros	2b Imamura
Sub	3b Tajima
Botelho	rf Kamowita

Recreio..... 0 0 0 0 1—1
Japanese..... 2 6 0 2 0—10

Hitats—Recreio 2, Japanese 8.

Errors:—Japanese 6, Recreio 8.

Strike-out:—Ishimatsu 4, Xavier 1.

Base on balls:—Alves 1, Xavier 1.

Hit by pitcher:—Alves 2, Ishimatsu 1.

IN MEMORIAM.

SERVICES FOR THE LATE MR. HO FOOK.

In Memoriam services are being held to-day for the late Mr. Ho Fook at No. 15, Kennedy Road.

Between the hours 8 and 12 many friends and relatives called to observe the usual rites, according to Chinese custom, on the third week after the interment.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, visitors tarried a while to read some of the elegiac scrolls, no fewer than 700 of which have been received, presented by those who cherish the inspiring memory of the deceased.

Among those present at the services were Sir Chou-sun Chow, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall and other prominent Chinese of this Colony.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Dr. Stuart Séguin Strahan to be a member of the Medical Board, with effect from September 14.

"If the police had a mind to enforce the law they could close every illegitimate drinking place in the land in 15 minutes."—Andrew J. Volstead.

CLUB CRITICISM.

(Continued from Page 7.)

bursements on repairs (a fluctuating item) have been heavier than in 1925. "Expenditure on gear" is up by over \$800 but the high figure of \$1714 is due to the heavy writing down of the value of Club gear, such as tennis nets etc. which though still in use are only worth perhaps a tenth of their original value. The expenditure on cricket gear was up by \$200 on the previous year's figure. Bad debts are up by about \$350 but considering the difficult times of the past year and the size of our membership I think you will agree that the figure \$449 is not high.

Sports Loss.

The Children's Sports again, which had in previous years been self supporting owing to the generosity of subscribers, this year cost the Club \$450—an expenditure which I feel that no-one will grudge. At the same time it is regrettable that the 1925 sports should have cost us so much and I would appeal to members to subscribe more liberally in order to enable us to continue our Annual treat to the Kiddies on the same lines as hitherto.

Against these and other increases, your Committee have saved \$200 on general expenses and over \$300 on stationery and have not found it necessary to allow so much for depreciation of the Club House, Ladies' Pavilion and Furniture.

Turning to our Balance Sheet I need only remark that our Reserve still stands at over \$35,000.

The chairman then proposed the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. E. Abraham seconded.

Mr. Brawn's Criticism.

Mr. A. O. Brawn gave particulars of the profits made by the Club in years past and said he did not agree with the Committee that "the working of the Club had been satisfactory." Not only had \$500 been lost but also \$1,000 interest on past savings.

Mr. Brawn also criticised the figures appertaining to the bar and said that they should show 28 p.c. instead of 18 p.c. on sales and 32 p.c. instead of 23½ p.c. on purchases. The speaker also referred to the desirability of buying stocks from British firms rather than Chinese. British firms had always given satisfaction in the past.

Mr. Brawn went on to refer to \$1,600 spent on "Entertainment" as "grossly extravagant." It equalled their entrance fees for the year. The "pink chits" system on which visitors were entertained was being grossly abused. The Club should only pay for teas. If a man was playing for the Club and was a sportsman he should look after visitors as his guests. He had seen members using pink chits to pay for their own drinks.

With regard to \$563 "presentations" appearing in the accounts, Mr. Herdridge, in reply to questions said that this included a bonus to the Chinese staff at the New Year and holders for bouquets to ladies who presented prizes.

Mr. Bond went into details with regard to the bar accounts and said that the profits should have been at least 40 p.c. He would also like to know what \$221 strike concession was.

The Hon. Treasurer replied that it was paid to Club servants who stayed during the strike.

Mr. Bond replied that they had stayed in other Clubs and got no gratuity.

"Share of Blame."

The chairman said there had been some pungent criticisms which were undoubtedly largely justified. As the president he was partly responsible and took his share of the blame. He put the motion to the meeting and it was carried unanimously.

The chairman said careful note of the criticism would be taken for the guidance of the incoming committee.

Mr. Brawn then proposed in future the Club should deal entirely with European firms. This was seconded and carried unanimously. He also proposed that pink chits be abolished and this also was seconded and carried unanimously.

A third motion from him was that the incoming committee should consider means by which they could reduce wages. This was also carried.

Officers for the year were then elected as follows: Messrs. Green and Herdridge declining to stand but the meeting deciding otherwise unanimously.

President, Mr. R. E. Lindell; vice-president Mr. E. Abraham; captain, Mr. J. C. Lyle; vice-captain, Mr. F. Goodwin; hon. secretary, Mr. S. E. Green; hon. treasurer, Mr. F. G. Herdridge.

General committee. Messrs. Goodwin, Overy, Lammet, Gibson, Ros, Tagchi, Goldenberg and Robinson.

Ballotting committee. Messrs. A. W. Ramsey, Hirst, Lyon, Forbes, Stapleton, Brown, Fraser, Jex, Hamblin and Labrum.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, SEPTEMBER 18, 1926, 10.30 A.M.

Names.	Hongkong Stock Exchange.	Hongkong Sharebrokers' Association.	Marine Bankers' Share & Bond Society.
T.T. on London	21 3/4	21 3/4	21 1/2
T.T. on Shanghai	7 1/2	7 1/2	nom.
Banks.			
Hongkong Bank	1100 s	1090 s	1090 s
do. London	81 1/2 n	—	81 1/2 n
Chartered Bank	21 1/2 b	21 1/2 b	—
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	23 1/2 n	23 1/2 n	—
do. C.	21 1/2 n	21 1/2 n	—
P. & O. Bank	23 1/2 b	21 1/2 n	—
Bank of East Asia	23 1/2 n	21 1/2 n	—
Marine Insurance.	84 n	83 s	84 s
Canton Insurance	6 1/2 s	6 1/2 s	6 1/2 s
China Underwriters	1 1/2 n	1 1/2 n	1 1/2 s
North China Insurance	1 1/2 n	1 1/2 n	1 1/2 s
Union Insurance	1 1/2 n	1 1/2 n	1 1/2 s
Yangtze Insurance	35 b Mex	40 s	35 1/2 s
Fire Insurance.			
China Fire Insurance	200 b	200 b 210 s	—
H.K. Fire Insurance	600 d	610 s	600 s
Shipping.			
Douglases	2 1/2 b	25 1/2 b	25 n
Hongkong Steamboats	26 1/2 n	25 s	25 n
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	1 1/2 n	2 n	1 1/2 n
Indo-China (Pref)	10 b	30 n	30 n
do. (Def.) Ltd.	42 b	—	40 n
do. () Hk.	—	40 n	—
Oriental Navigation	100 b	100 b	102 6 n
Shell Transport	60 n	60 s	160 n
Star Ferries	15 1/2 n	15 s	13 b
Water-boats			
Refineries.			
China Sugars	21 s	20 s	18 s
Malabon Sugars	36 n	36 b 37 s	36 n
Mining.			
Benguet	1 1/2 n	—	1 1/2 n
Kailan Mining Ad.	40 n	42 1/2 n	40 n
Lampkats (Combined)	12 1/2 b	12 1/2 b	12 1/2 b
do. (Single)	12 1/2 b	12 n	12 1/2 b
Shanghai Exploration	5 n	c n	—
Shanghai Loan	2 n	6 1/2 n	—
Raubus	4 1/2 h	5 n	5 s
Troch Mines	80 b	80 b	—
Ural Caspian	8 1/2 b	—	—
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & K. Wharves	8 1/2 s	16 s	8 1/2 s
H.K. & W. Docks	17 1/2 b	56 s	57 n
Hongkew	6 1/2 n	—	170 b
New Engineering	11 1/2 n	16 1/2 n	6 1/2 b
Shanghai Docks	11 1/2 n	11 1/2 n	116 b
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.			
H.K. & S. Hotels (old)	8 1/2 b	8 1/2 b 8 1/2 s	8 1/2 b
do. (new)	60 n	55 s	—
Hongkong Realty	7 1/2 n	7 1/2 s	5 s
H.K. Territorial	4 n	4 s	7 n
Humphreys Estates	13 1/2 13 60 s	13 1/2 13 1/2 s	4 s
Prince's Building	80 s	87 s	13 s
Rural Lands	1 1/2 n	—	—
Cotton Mills.			
Ewo Cottons	0 b	0 10 b	70 b
Oriental	2 1/2 b	2 1/2 b	2 1/2 b
Shanghai Cottons (old)	5 1/2 b	52 b	52 b
do. (new)	26 b	27 b	26 b
Miscellaneous.			
Canton Ice	8 1/2 n	5 s	9 n
Cements (comb.)	12 n	1 1/2 s	8 1/2 s
do. (old)	11 n	0 1/2 s	8 1/2 s
do. (new)	13 1/2 n	110 b 1 1/2 s	1 10 b
China Buses	10 1/2 n	16 s	16 s
China Lights (comb.)	10 n	11 1/2 12 s	11 1/2 s
do. (old)	10 n	7 1/2 s	9 s
do. (new)	5 s	5 1/2 s	4 80 n
China Prov. (comb)	16 1/2 s	15 1/2 b 16 s	15 1/2 s
do. (old)	6 s	7 s	—
do. (new)	—	—	—
Dairy Farms	11 1/2 b	11 1/2 b	11 1/2 b
Der A. Wing (full pd.)	2 1/2 n	3 s	3 1/2 s
do. (part pd.)	58 s	53 1/2 n	54 1/2 s
Hongkong Amusements	26 s	5 cts s	—
H.K. Constructions	10 s	10 s	30 n
Hongkong Electric	5 s	5 s	10 n
H.K. Developments	10 s	10 s	5 n
H.K. Ropes (comb.)	22 s	22 s	72 n
do. (old)	35 n	7 1/2 s	7 s
do. (new)	19 1/2 n	—	—
Hongkong Tramways	15 1/2 n	0 b	—
Lane, Crawford	7 1/2 n	8 n	17 1/2 n
Macao Electric	11 n	9 1/2 b	8 1/2 n
Mackintosh	3 s	16 1/2 b	16 s
Nanyang Tobacco	20 s	3 s	2 s
Peak Tram (old)	—	600 s	—
do. (new)	—	18 n	—
Sincere	13 s	—	12 1/2 s
Singapore Tram	6 1/2 n	—	5 n
Taxis	—	—	3 1/2 b
United Asbestos	—	—	—
(Founders)	—	—	—
do. (Ordinary)	—	—	—
Watsons (old)	—	—	—
do. (new)	—	—	—
Wm. Powells	—	—	—
H.K. Telephone	—	—	—

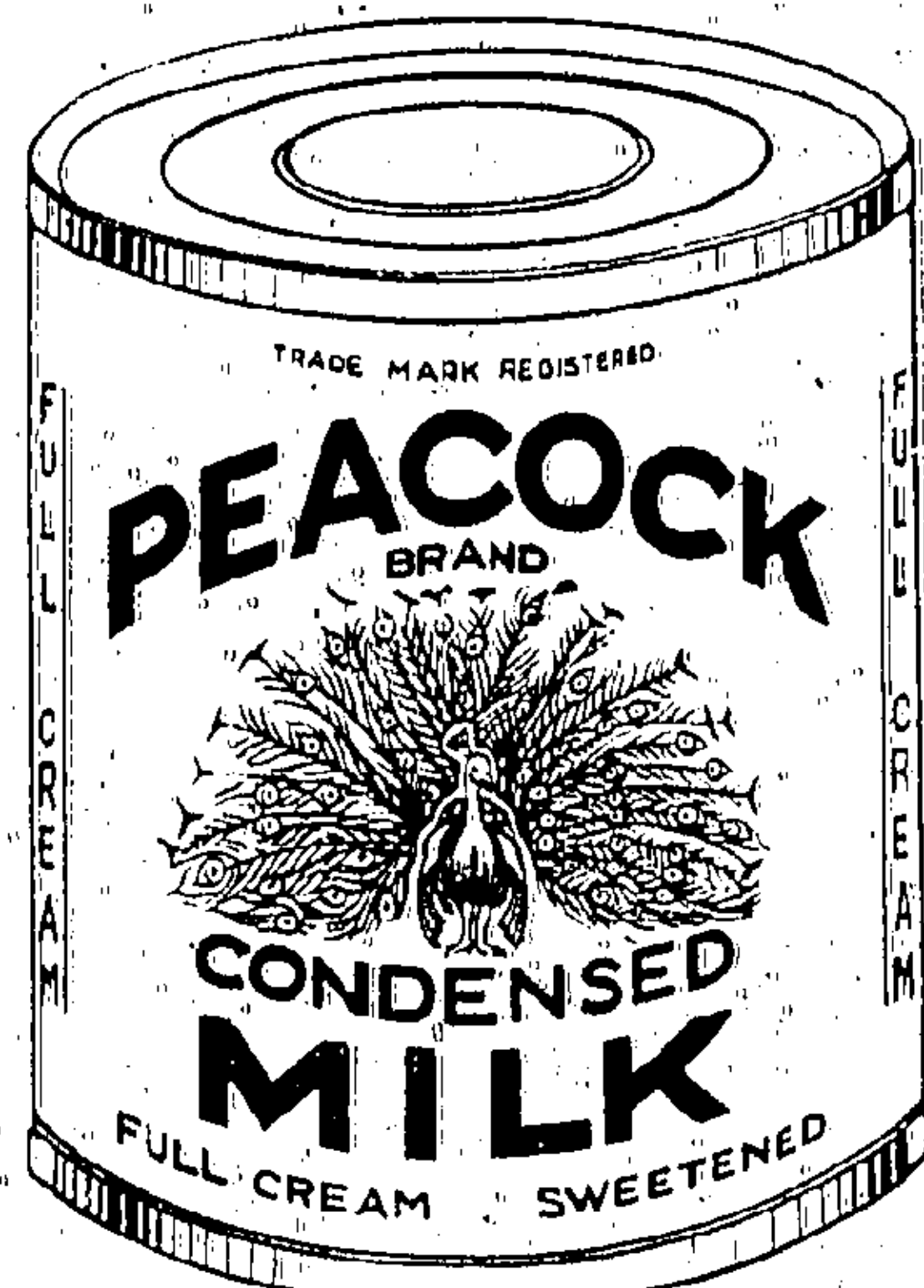
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People and Events in the News of the World



Mrs. Coughlin may have started something when she carried a heavy walking stick on her tour of inspection of the Marine camp at Paul Smiths. It may be the next feminine fad.



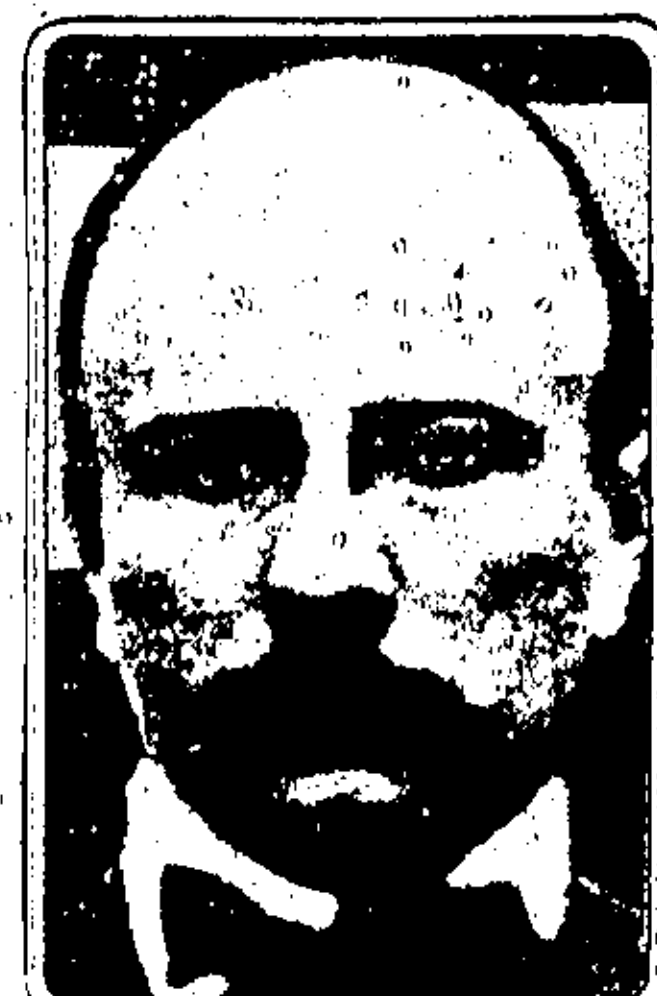
George Cohen, top, and Solomon Brauman, below, arrested in New York, confessed a \$75,000 jewel robbery and intimated they had information about the murder of William McGuffigan, Chicago Assistant State's Attorney.



FRANK O. LOWDEN



SEN. WILLIAM BORAH



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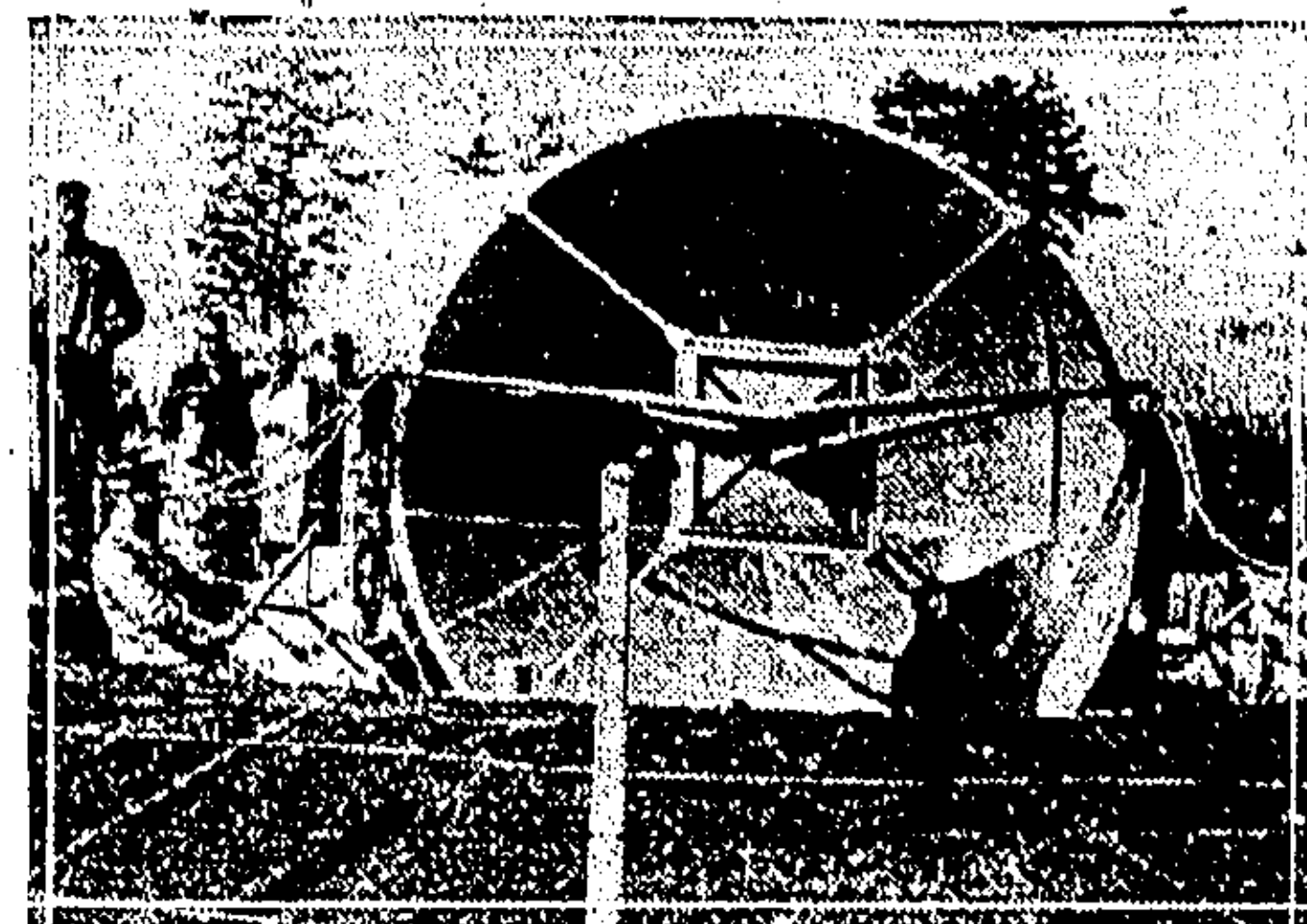


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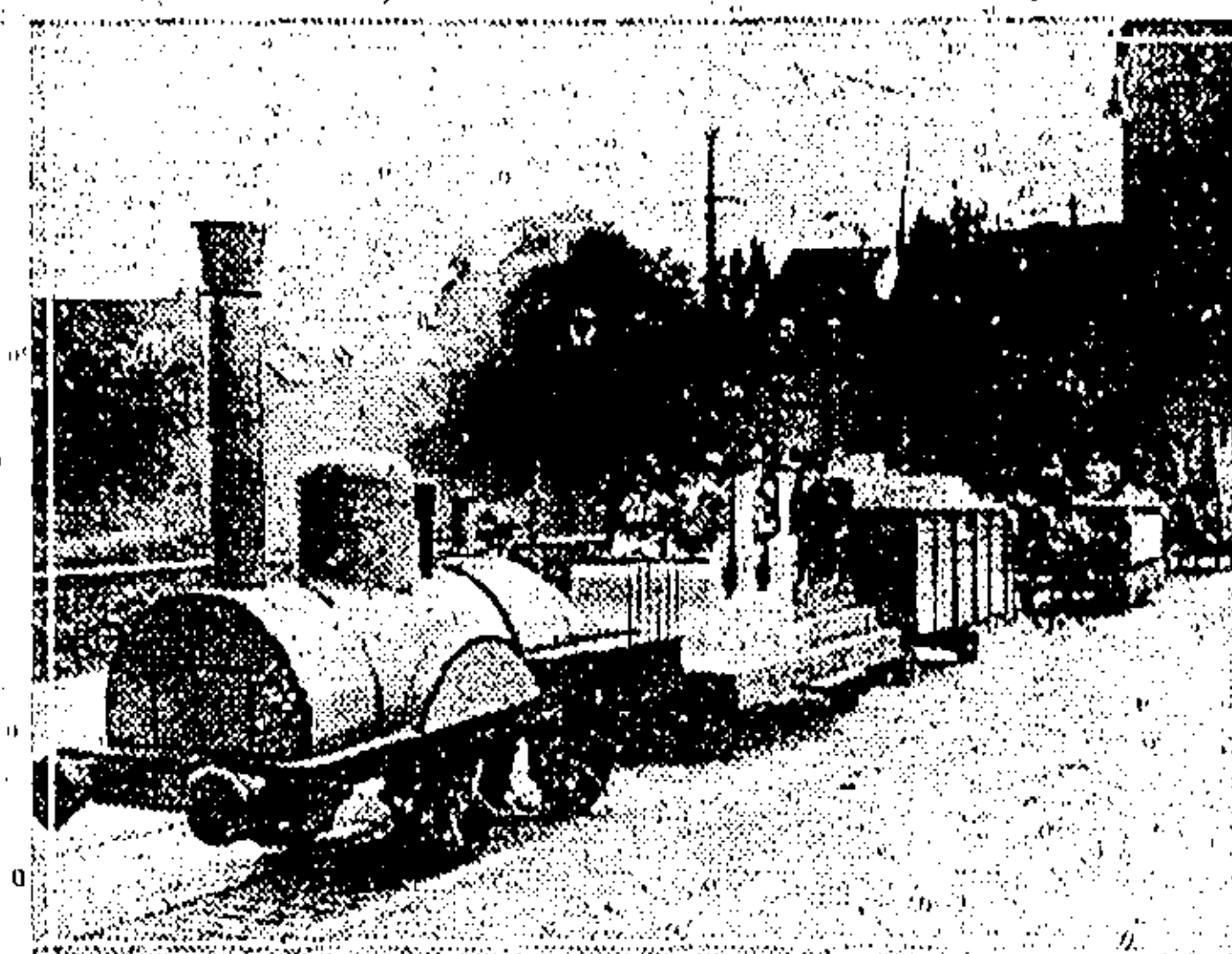
Frank O. Lowden, former Governor of Illinois, and Senator William Borah, of Idaho, were boomed as candidates for the Republican presidential nomination. Anatole de Monzie temporarily received the burden of the French financial crisis when he accepted the post of Finance Minister in Premier Edouard Herriot's short-lived Cabinet. The Sultan of Morocco was photographed on his visit to Paris.



According to reports from Home King Alfonso of Spain hoped to arrange a wedding of his daughter, Beatrice, and the Prince of Wales.



The new "Mechanical ear," developed by the Japanese Air Defence Forces, as an aid in detecting and locating approaching enemy planes. The large diaphragm is so sensitive that it picked up the noise of a motor of a plane when five miles away, giving advance notice of its approach so that defence planes and anti-aircraft batteries may be prepared.



Old-time train as presented in the magnificent pageant with which the city of Lubek, Germany, celebrated the 700th anniversary of its freedom.



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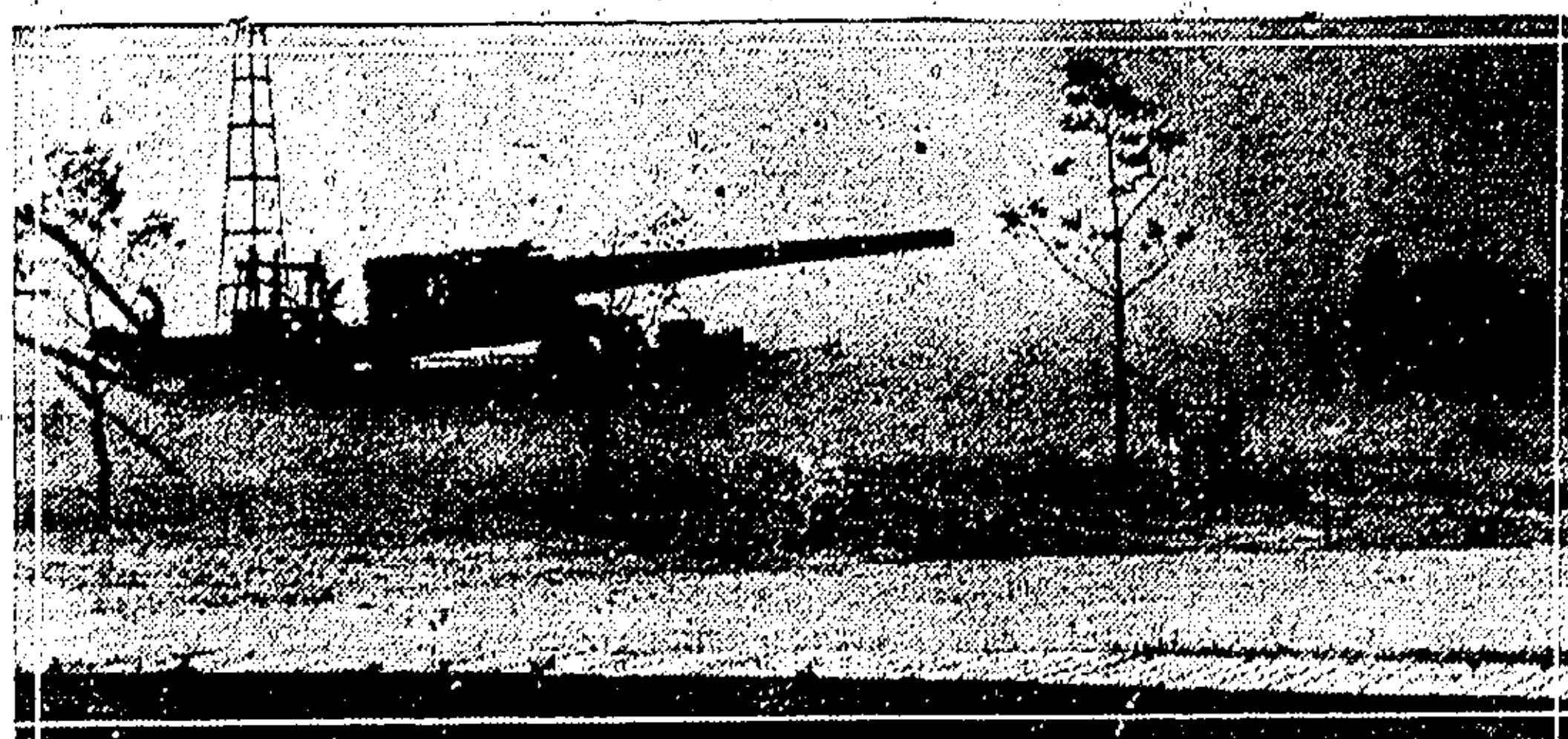


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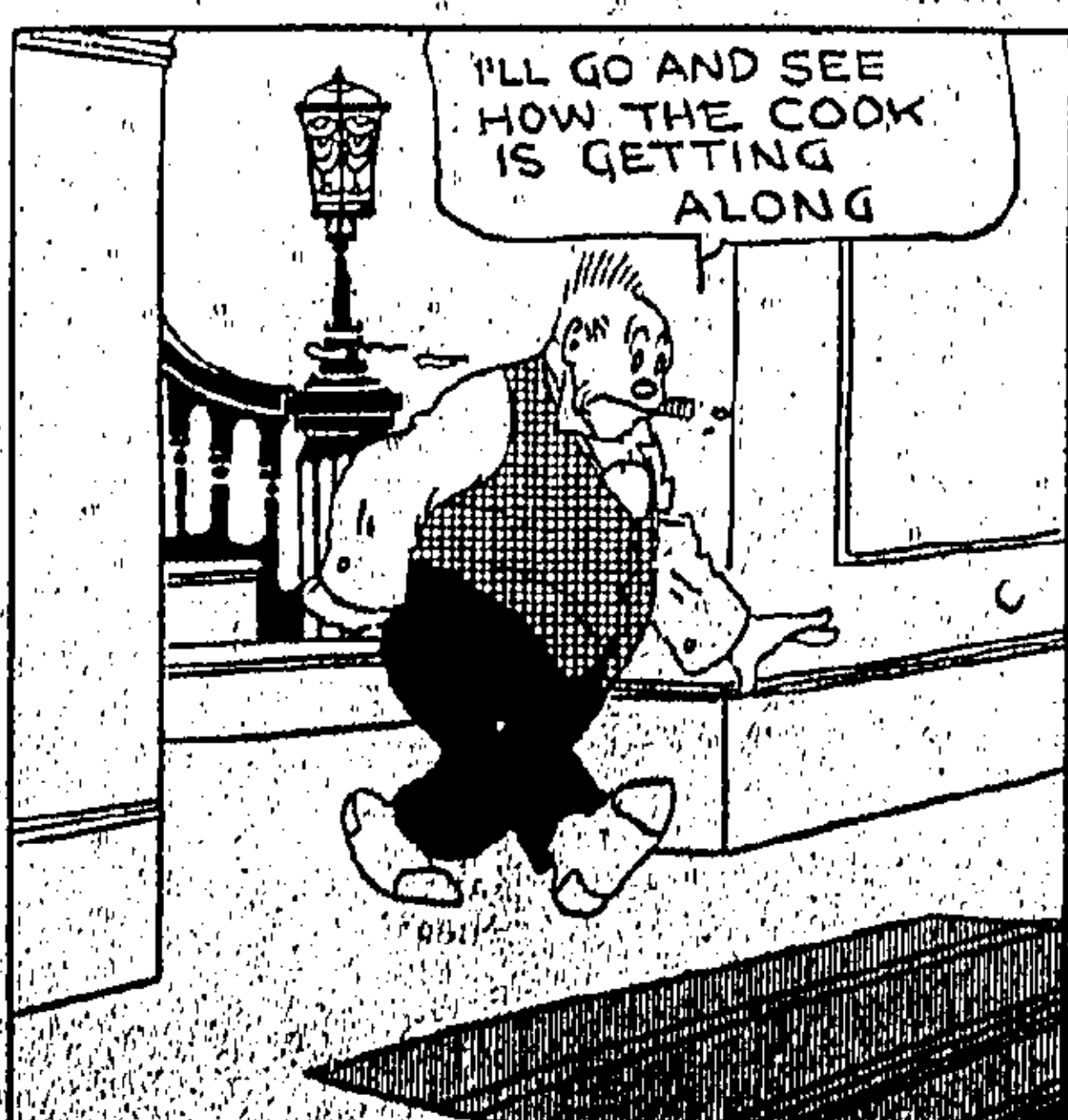
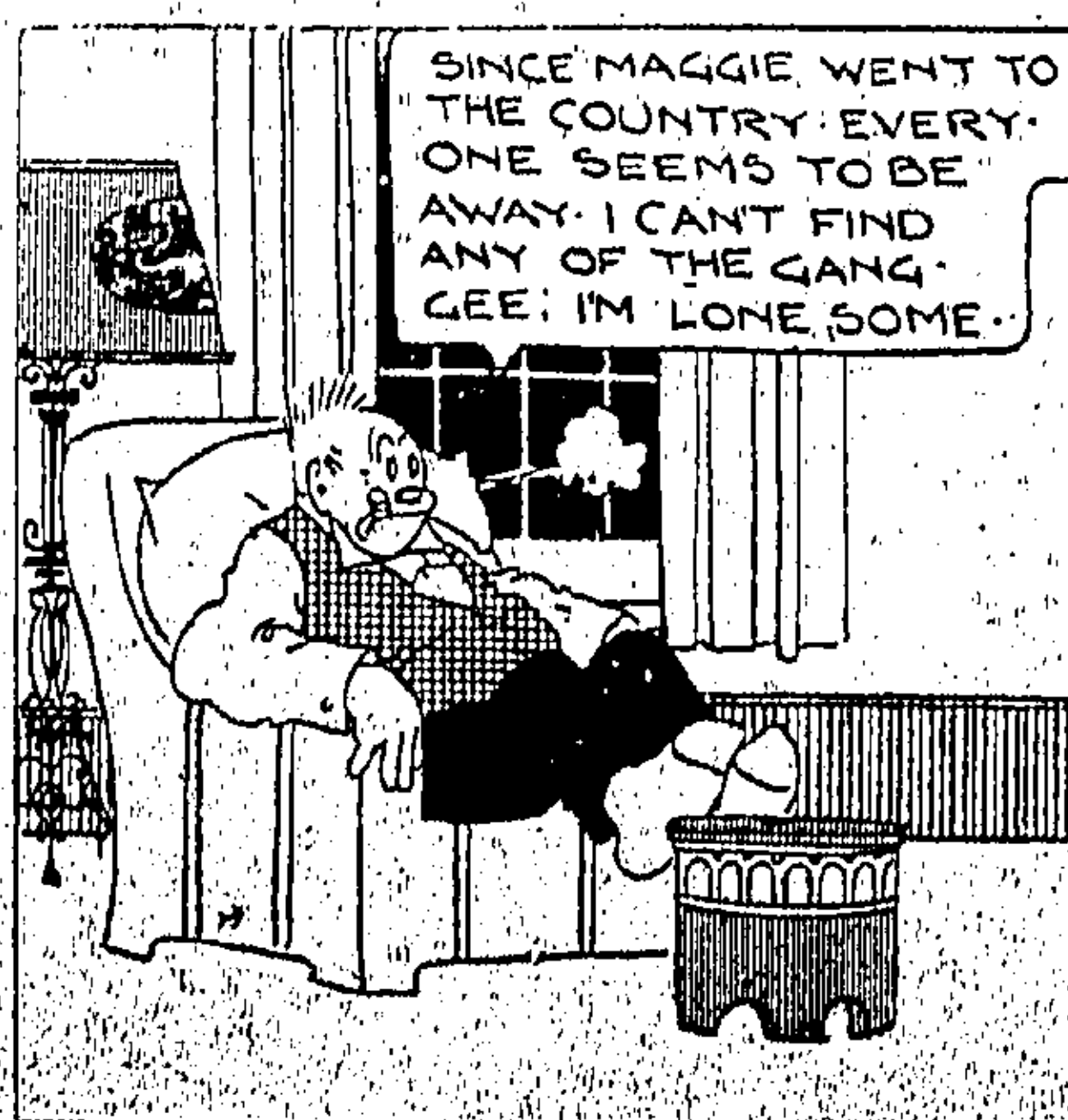
RUDOLPH FORSTER

Rev. F. Scott McBride, general national superintendent of the Anti-Slavery League, was an important witness at the Chicago hearing of the Senate primary investigation. Mrs. Marion Cleveland Dell, daughter of President Cleveland, has been married to John Harlan Amen, educator. The Russian Soviet expelled Gregory Zinoviev, long a leader, from the Central Control Committee. Rudolph Forster is in sole charge of the White House during President Coolidge's vacation. He is permanent executive secretary.



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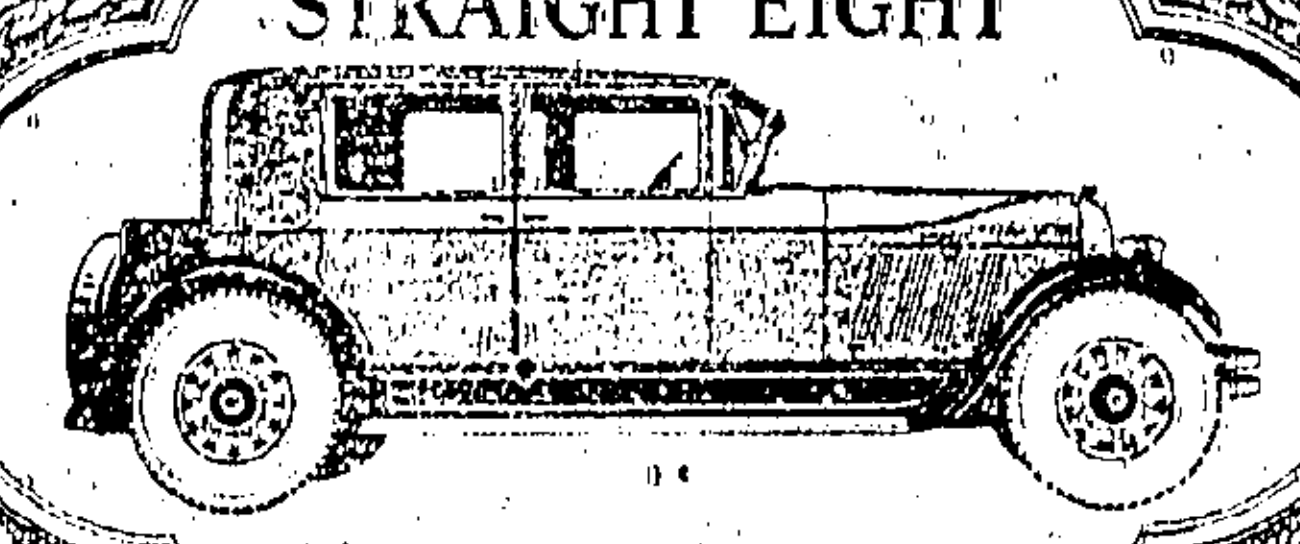
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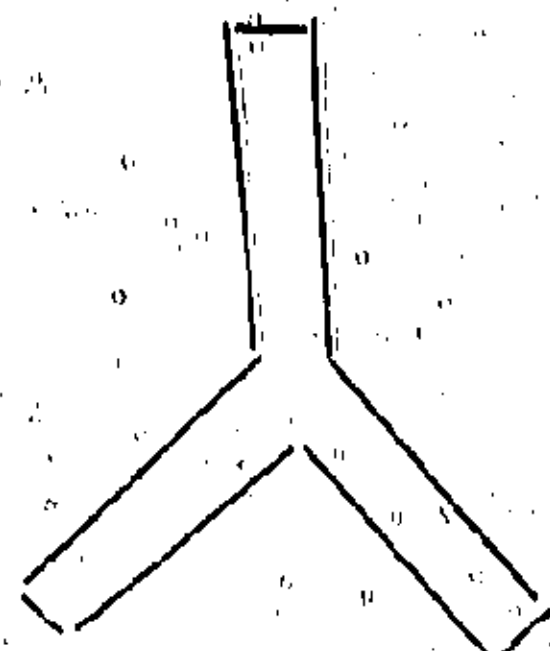
TRICKS AND TEASERS.

Say This Quickly.

Three grey geese on the green
were grazing, grey were the
geese and green was the grazing.

Make a Boomerang.

Firing a boomerang is one of the most pleasant experiences a youngster can have. Here is a boomerang which can quite easily be made. It consists of three "arms" of equal length, and is shaped as shown in the illustration.



To fire the boomerang, place one "arm" under the nail of the left thumb, and flip the next arm to the right with the middle finger of the right hand. The thing will then fly sharply forward, circle, and return to the sender.

His Big Business!

Doctor (to a young patient):
"What is your occupation?"
Patient (brilliantly): "A wood merchant on a small scale."
Doctor: "Why—what do you mean?"

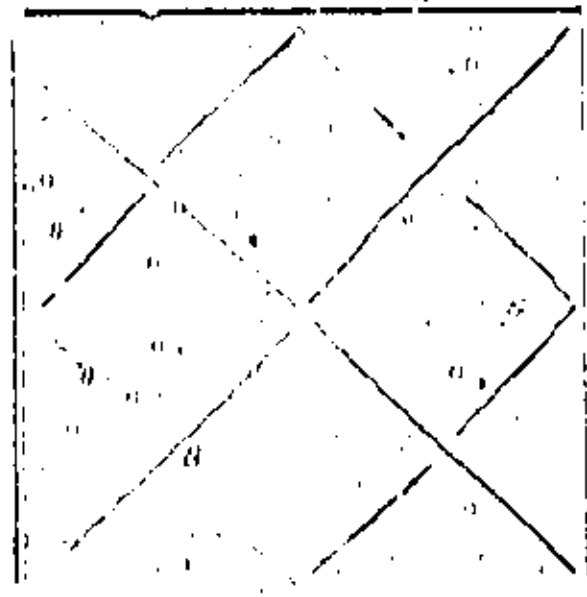
Patient (earnestly): "I sell matches at the street corners!"

And Mummy Wondered!

A certain Cub was at his first camp. Two days later he wrote his mother a letter:

"Dear Mummy,
We are having a lovely time, one boy was sick, very sick, your loving son F."

The solution to the eight-square puzzle given in the issue for Saturday, September 4 is as follows:



WEATHER WISDOM.

It will be fine when—

The stars are particularly bright.
Bats can be seen about late in the evening.
Swallows fly high.
Smoke goes up straight from chimneys.
Gnats fly in clouds in the evening.
The moon is clear and bright.

It will be wet when—

Frogs croak loudly.
The moon has a halo round it.
Dogs and cats are dull and drowsy.
Distant objects look nearer than usual.
Swallows skim the ground.
Spiders are seen crawling on the walls.
Lamps burn less brightly.
Soot falls from the chimney.
Sounds are heard more clearly.
Hens are restless and uneasy.
Fish come near the surface of the water.
Dry leaves blow in eddies.
Flies are more troublesome than usual indoors.

"THE LIMIT."

"P. C. H." sends me the following poem from Thursday Island.
"Into a restaurant last week I went,
And rang the bell;
I felt, after my morning's work, intent
On dining well.
I studied hard the menu card
"Waiter, I think I'll have a chop,
Well-grilled, especially on top."

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Boys and Girls.

KNOW-ALLS' PARADISE.

Do You Know That—

More ducks are bred in China than in any other country in the world?

Cocks and chickens have been known to have cancer?

The average number of hairs on an adult's head is, between 130,000 and 150,000?

In Persia, tears shed for the dead are preserved in bottles?

The eucalyptus grows to a greater height more quickly than any other tree?

In England, microbes are now being used instead of yeast in making bread?

Cochineal is made from dried insects?

A man breathes about twenty times a minute?

A WONDERFUL CLOCK.

A wonderful clock has been made by Professor Nernst, the inventor of the famous electric lamp bearing his name.

The face of the clock is divided into twelve hours and sixty minutes, but each minute represents ten million years. The beginning and end of the Earth are, the professor thinks, represented by the twelve hours.

The time to-day would be about 5.50. Two o'clock represents 2,400 million years ago, when the Sun's temperature was about 18,000 degrees. Professor Nernst thinks that life started on the Earth at about five o'clock on his timepiece, when the temperature would have been 172 degrees, or far hotter than the hottest tropical climate in full sunshine. When his clock points to seven life will only be possible at the Equator, for the temperature will have dropped to 76 degrees below zero. The world will then become gradually colder and colder, and the end of life on the Earth will come about.

The clock dial has been made from actual calculations of the Sun's temperature, on which Professor Nernst is a world authority. It shows that life will be possible on the Earth for hundreds of millions of years yet.

I cannot say that I entirely agree with Professor Nernst, but nevertheless, I must say that his present invention is marvellous.

REGRET POVERTY?

This little paragraph from Charles Lamb is considered by many present-day writers a masterpiece of prose.

"There was a pleasure in eating strawberries, before they became quite common—in the first dish of peas, while they were yet dear—to have them for a nice supper, a treat. What treat can we have now? If we were to treat ourselves now—that is, to have dainties a little above our means, it would be selfish and wicked. It is the very little more that we allow ourselves beyond what the actual poor can get at, that makes what I call a treat—when two people living together, as we have done, now and then indulge themselves in a cheap luxury, which both like, and is willing to take both halves of the blame to his single share. I see no harm in people making much of themselves, in that sense of the word. It may give them a hint how to make much of others."

I ordered chipped potatoes and green peas.
Some ginger beer;
That I was going my hunger to appease,
I had no fear.
In course of time it came—sublime.
I looked at it. "Hi, waiter, stop,
Where is my dainty, well-grilled chop?"

The waiter looked down at my well-stocked (?) plate
With greatest care;
And then he said (in manner quite irate):
"Your chop is THERE!"
There was no doubt—he dug it out.
The little beggar, playfully,
Had lost himself beneath a pea!

Also Grown-Ups.

EMILE COUE.

Grand and Glorious
Feeling.

I believe in Emile Coué, that wonderful man who has but recently died, and that is the reason, I suppose, why my friends never find "Seigmundis" very often sick. You ought to believe, too. It is a grand thing, and it gives one that "grand and glorious feeling."

The following, from the "Children's Newspaper," will tell you something about this marvel of men.

In a university town of Northern France the able and cultured and the learned have lately followed to his grave a great and kindly little man, whose wisdom reached to all the world, giving comfort to thousands who never saw him and knew him only by name.

To those who were sick and sorry he said: "It will pass. It will pass!" To those struggling with weakness or ill-health he sent a message telling them to tell themselves: "Every day in every way I grow better and better!" Go on saying that, commanded Doctor Coué, and you will begin to think it. Go on thinking it and it will come true.

His marvellous power of inspiring his patients with such a belief in getting better that they did get better made him looked on as almost a miracle worker. He travelled and he lectured, and he told people quite simply his wonderful formula. It really was wonderful, for people went on repeating that they were getting better every day, and then, without any more ado or any further consultation, they did get better.

But right to the end of his hard-working life the little doctor who doctored people's minds with doses of hope and happiness went on with his circle of poor patients who came to see him at Nancy. Every day they would collect, and Dr. Coué would pass among them giving them his counsel and advice. He made no pretences. If a case was not one that could be cured by thought or encouragement, he said so and passed on. But he found many patients to whom his words and his advice were priceless. He helped their belief because he was a man of great faith. He knew that happiness was the great healer. It heals the body as it heals the mind. So he dealt in happiness. The French said he was a merchant of happiness.

When Dr. Coué's words were first heard beyond Nancy the world was striving hard to recover from a grievous sickness, the sorrow and misery and hate of the Great War. It listened, and it recognised in them something more than a doctor's prescription for bodily ills. That was why it took them to its heart—in the hope that, by believing that it was getting better, it might at last be a happy world again. Believe that you are going to be happy and you will be happy. More than that, you will have a better chance of making others happy. That was what Dr. Coué did in his hard-working life: that is the message he has left to us all. We must carry on with it, believing that all is well and that we are getting better and better.

FAMOUS SAYINGS.

Man is made for the conquest of difficulties.—Dr. L. P. Jacks.

The first duty of medicine is not to cure disease but to prevent it.—Sir George Newman.

Civilisation hangs by the slender thread of goodwill among men.—Dr. Murray Butler.

Goodwill, like everything else, has to be learned by experience.—The French Ambassador to England.

An optimist is one who in December can scent the roses of June.—Sir Philip Cuncliffe-Lister.

The English are never happy unless they are throwing things away.—Mr. Rudyard Kipling.

You cannot erect a frontier against ideas.—Dr. John A. Hutton.

RECIPES COMING.

I regret very much that owing to unexpected circumstances, my page of contributions could not appear last week.

The usual recipes have been omitted, and some other things put in their stead.

Next week, however, I hope to have them in again, because in a few days my latest cookery book is due from England.

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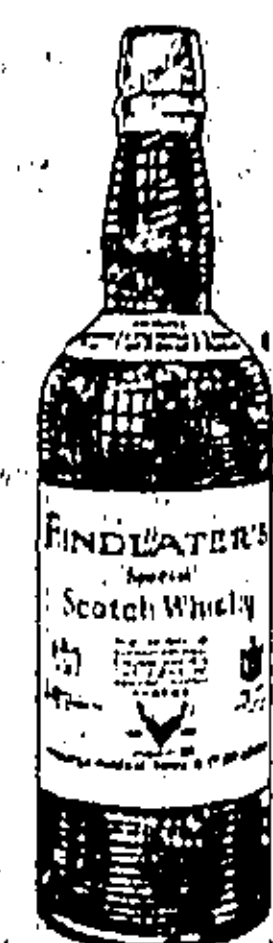
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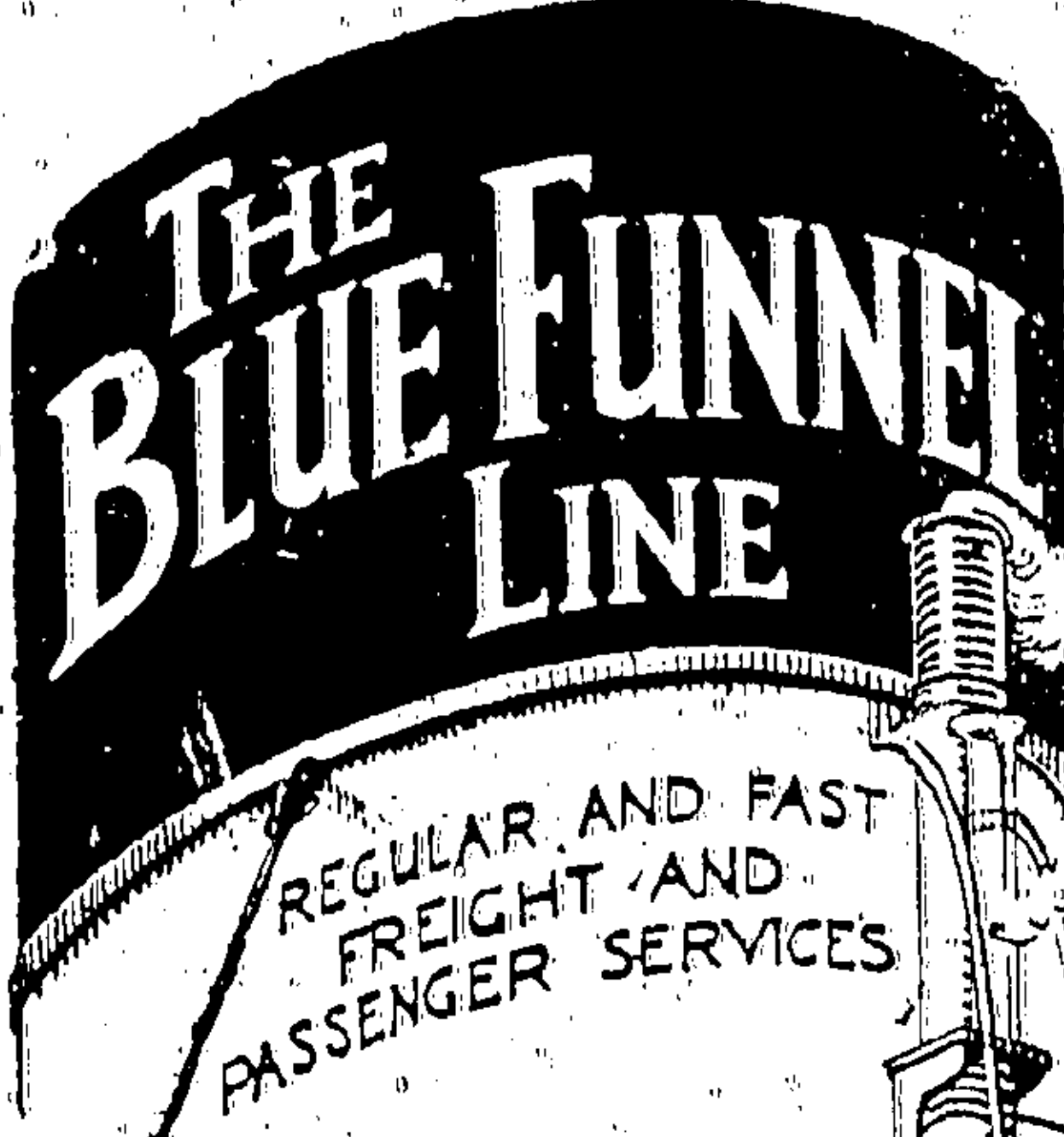
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Application for the grant of receiving station licences may be made to the Postmaster General on or after 1st November, 1926, and any licences issued between 1st November and 31st December, 1926, will take effect as from 1st January, 1927.

Wireless Service between Hongkong and Canton is resumed.

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NEW ENTENTE.

FRANCE & GERMANY DRAW NEARER.

BURYING THE HATCHET.

Geneva, Sept. 17. Considerable interest and speculation have been aroused by a secret meeting between M. Briand and Dr. Stresemann at the village of Thory, just across the French frontier.

Subsequently an official communiqué was issued stating that the conversation lasted several hours and was most cordial. They examined all problems likely to interest the two countries, and endeavoured together to ascertain the best means of solving them in the interests of France and Germany and in the spirit of the agreements which they have signed.

The two Ministers reconciled their viewpoints generally regarding the solutions, and both reserved the right to refer to their own Governments. If their Governments approve of their viewpoints they will resume the conversations in order to attain desirable results.—Reuter.

Removing Suspensions. Geneva, Sept. 17.

The official communiqué in regard to the meeting between M. Briand and Dr. Stresemann may be amplified by a statement from an excellent German source that the object of the meeting was to discuss in general terms the possibility of a comprehensive Franco-German agreement, removing the suspicions and differences of the past, also facilitating the French financial position.

It is pointed out that Germany is able and willing to collaborate financially and economically with France on the basis principle that it is to Germany's interest to have a prosperous, stable, and friendly France.—Reuter.

WIPE THEM OUT, MEXICO AND THE YAQUI INDIANS.

EX-PRESIDENT KILLED?

Mexico City, Sept. 17. Nothing has been heard of General Obregon, the ex-President, since he was reported to be on the train which was held up on Wednesday by the Yaqui Indians. It is now rumoured that Obregon was killed.

The Government merely issued a statement that troops were rushing to the State of Sonora and had been instructed to exterminate the Yaquis unless they surrender.—Reuter's American Service.

YEN RISING.

STEADY MARCH TOWARDS PAR.

Osaka, Sept. 17. The steady march towards par of the yen is attracting general attention here. Since the beginning of the year the advance has amounted to 55. The appreciation has revived the advocacy of an immediate restoration to the gold standard, but experts are of opinion that the Government will probably wait till par is actually reached and sustained by favourable trade before taking action.—Reuter.

CHINA'S ELECTION.

PERTINENT QUESTION IN FRANCE.

Paris, Sept. 17. Amid generally satisfied newspaper comment on the election to the League Council, L'Avenir criticises the election of San Salvador and China.

The Gaulois likewise objects to the election of China and asks which Chinese Government is the recipient of the honour?—Havas.

C.I.M. RECRUITS.

UNDETERRED BY CIVIL WAR.

London, Sept. 17. The China Inland Mission, notwithstanding the unsettled conditions, are sending out from England this month a detachment of forty-one helpers, including seven recruits.—Reuter.

WAR CLAIMS.

AMERICA AND BRITAIN TO ADJUST.

PROSPECTS CHEERFUL.

London, Sept. 17. A United States Commission has arrived to discuss with the Admiralty the adjustment of outstanding claims arising out of the operations of the United States and British Navies during the war.

It is understood that several million dollars are involved and the adjustment is expected to show a substantial balance due to the British authorities. The negotiations will last several months.—Reuter.

MELLON'S TRIP.

NO DISCUSSION OF ANY IMPORTANCE.

VIEW OF MUSSOLINI.

New York, Sept. 17. Mr. Andrew W. Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury, has arrived. He declared that he did not discuss any matters of national or internal importance whilst on the Continent. He declined to make any statement on Europe's financial and economic position.

He described Signor Mussolini as "a most interesting man, who seems to have things in hand."—Reuter's American Service.

STEEL TRUST.

BELGIUM NOT SATISFIED WITH QUOTA.

Paris, Sept. 17. In regard to the International Steel Trust agreement the Belgian representatives are unable to agree to the proposals and have asked to have them submitted to their colleagues in Belgium, who are demanding a quota of 290,000 tons. Great Britain was not represented at the conference.—Reuter.

LEAGUE FINANCE.

KEEPING WITHIN MAXIMUM LIMIT.

Geneva, Sept. 17. The Budget Committee of the League Assembly has agreed to a resolution moved by Sir C. G. Ramaswami Aiyar (India) in favour of keeping to a maximum limit of expenditure in view of the future.—Reuter.

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LIGHT PLANES.

RESULT OF COMPETITION FOR £5,000.

INTERESTING TESTS.

Rugby, Sept. 17. The final stage of an interesting competition for light aeroplanes, which has been proceeding during this week, was completed today. After a previous vigorous elimination of trials, nine machines took part in the competition. A sum of £5,000 was offered in prizes by the "Daily Mail" newspaper, the first prize being £3,000.

The aim of the competition was to produce two-seater, dual control, light aeroplanes, reliable, simple, and economical, which can be housed in small sheds and which are capable of being maintained and flown by private owners in the same way as motor cars.

Different courses across country were set each day. Economy in fuel consumption was taken into consideration in awarding the prize.

The first prize was won by Flight-Lieutenant Bulman, who covered a total of 1,994 miles in 30 hours 41 minutes 15 seconds flying time, or an average speed of 65 miles per hour. Bulman's machine was a Hawker Cygnet. He gained most points in respect of the load carried for the lowest fuel consumption.

Flight-Lieutenant Chick won the second prize of £1,500 on a Royal Air Force Cygnet, and Mr. Uwins, on a Bristol Brownie, won the third prize of £500.—British Wireless Service.

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